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"The American flag and the American Eagle are the true symbols of fascism, and they should elicit from the people the same outraged repugnance elicited by the swastika of Nazi Germany and the flag of the rising sun of the Japanese imperialists."

ELDRIDGE CLEAVER
Black Panther Party
U.S.A.

"U.S. Imperialism is the most heinous common enemy of the Peoples of the world and target No. 1 in their struggle."

KIM IL SUNG
Peoples Democratic Republic of Korea



# STATEMENT FROM CHAIRMAN BOBBY SEALE

What is happening today in this court is not the precedent being set, but this U.S. District court was violating citizens' constitutional rights and railroading them many years ago. Black and Brown Americans can testify to this historical fact and to the present day situation that's now manifested in this courtroom run by a tyrant Judge known as Julius J. Hoffman, who I have now experienced to be a rotten racist. He not only hates Black people but he despises protesting Black people and also the White protesting people. As seen in every action on his part so far, many people have been able to get information through the regular news media about how he runs the court in an overt attempt to railroad all 7 defendants and myself in particular.

What happened at the National Democratic Convention last year was that of police bashing in the protesters' heads and even brutalizing and maiming the newsmen who were recording the fascist activity of the pig cops. We also know that the fascist Mayor Daleyregime gave the orders to do so. The court hides this.

Now over a year later, there are eight defendants here on trial, who are not policemen who were attacking and brutalizing demonstrators who have a constitutional right to do so; at least that's what we read in the first amendment. What happened at the National Democratic Convention? It's clear that the past, quiet fascism, or covered up fascist tactics used against Black people for so long became a reality to many thousands of young conscious White radicals and protesters, 7 of whom are defendants here with me, Bobby.

This court, U.S. District Court of Illinois has set a precedent of not hiding its role--its role in the fascinization of America. This court with the Judge and the U.S. government are prosecuting people for using their right to free speech and to peacefully assemble to redress their grievances. The court is justifying head bashing that happened at the Democratic Convention last year, by thousands of cops, real pigs. This is what the court is justifying---FASCISM.

Chairman Bobby Seale
Black Panther Party
October 13, 1969

# CHECK IT OUT!

It's been three years now that the Black Panther Party has been working to awaken the people, to meet the needs of the people and to teach the people the strategic method of resisting the pig power structure. It's been three years of constant harassment from the pigs; three years of brothers being murdered on the streets; three years of revolutionary brothers and sisters being kidnapped and railroaded off to prison. And it's all because of the fact that for 3 years and more to come, the Black Panther Party has been serving and meeting the needs of the people. The pigs of the power structure have labeled the Party as criminal and as a major threat to the "American security".

Daily, pigs patrol our community and brutalize and murder people. Yet, we are told to be "non-violent". We are told not to protect ourselves from fascist pigs. It is criminal to teach a man not to defend himself when he is the constant victim of brutal attack. So, the criminal is the U.S. government. (Check it out!).

Huey P. Newton and Chairman Bobby Seale have taught us the true nature of the capitalist, fascist U.S. government and how it is oppressing us here in Babylon (America). We here in Babylon are living in 20th Century slavery. People work daily to produce all products and goods of this country, but yet, we do not decide what is to be done with the products and goods we produce. We don't decide how much we should receive from what we ourselves have produced. After producing all this country has, we have to pay outrageous prices for what we've made. The pigs endorse narcotics, which they sell to make a profit, and they make another profit from bail money after arresting people for possession of narcotics. If you don't want to go to jail for illegal possession of fire arms, you have to go to the same pigs who've been murdering and brutalizing people so that they can register your guns which in return you have gotten for the purpose of protecting yourself from pigs.

Then the government demands that we go to Vietnam to kill other oppressed people or go to prison. As far as the pigs are concerned, we can't even decide whether we want to kill someone (check it out).

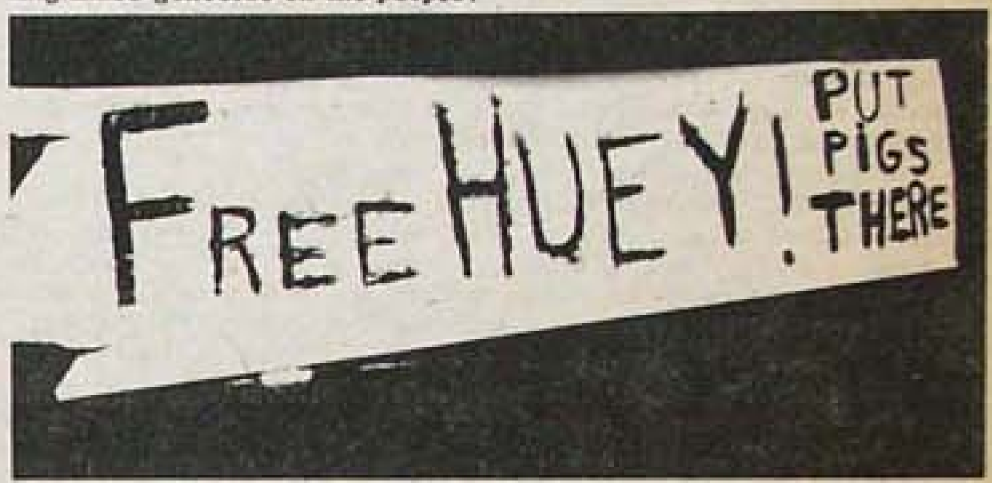
The reason why Huey P. Newton, Chairman Bobby Seale, Charles Bursey, Cleveland Brooks, and so many revolutionaries have been kidnapped or murdered is because they have exposed the capitalist, fascist United States government. How many more of our brothers and sisters will be murdered or railroaded off to prison? How many of our children will go day by day hungry, without decent housing and clothes?

How many more brothers and sisters will reach "CloudNine" and drop reds while the pigs are planning mass genocide on the people? How long will Black people suffer peacefully, without realizing that after 400 years that we still aren't free but are living in advanced slavery? How long will it take for Black people to protect themselves from fascist pigs? How long will it take for Black people to realize that a revolution is going on and it's their place to lead this revolution because we have been the most oppressed in this fascist country? How long will it take before pig "Tricky Dick" Nixon puts his plan for mass genocide on the people into action?...Well, "Tricky Dick" has already put his plan into action, but yet people refuse to believe that a revolution is going on. A great deal more of those brothers and sisters on "Cloud Nine" will lay in the street with the rounds of AR 15s' in the back of their heads.

Deaths that can be prevented will occur all because "people are too high doing their own thing to realize that they are in the center of a revolution."

"LET'S SEIZE THE TIME"
BEFORE TIME SEIZES US.

Comrade Candi Robinson




# FASCISM IN CHICAGO

Los Angeles isn't the only city that faces the ever-increasing actions of a fascist police department. The city of Chicago, also witnesses daily, the murdering and brutality of its Black citizens. In a city where there are 26,000 pigs on active duty, the level of fascism far exceeds that of the L A Pig Department. One example of this is the just out-right murder of the youth in the Black communities. Last week alone, the Illinois Chapter of the Black Panther Party, reported seven murders and one beating committed against young people, all under the age of 20.

Sunday night, while 16 year old John Soto was walking down the street, he was shot in the back of the head (The Black Panther, Page 3, October 18, 1969). Later that same night, while police were involved in a supposed shoot-out with a sniper (which they never found), a 2 year old girl was shot in the leg. On Monday, a 12 year old sister was shot in the face with a shot gun, which "accidentally" went off. This same excuse was used for the murder of two 13 year old boys that same night. The last incident to occur that night was when a young brother was badly beaten by the police, and then his body was stuffed under a truck.

The rest of the week was relatively quiet in the Black communities, as the pigs concentrated their efforts on cracking the heads of White radicals. Becase the National Guard had been called to aid the pigs in their rampage in the Black community, attention once again returned to that area. Friday night saw the murdering of two more young Black people. 19 year old Michael Soto, who had just that day attended the funeral of his 16 year old brother John (who was shot by the pigs Sunday), was shot and killed by the police. This took place in the housing project where Michael lived, and the people that resided here, were so mad that they said, "No more!" A shoot-out took place involving the residents of the housing project and the police, and when this ended, the pigs added one more notch to their guns, as an 11 year old girl had been shot and killed.

No, this level of wanton murder and brutality has not been reached in Los Angeles, but it is not far away. However, we must not make the mistake that the Jews in Germany made in World War II. They watched as their neighbors and relatives were murdered and "mysteriously disappeared", and said--"No, this isn't happening, and anyway, it won't happen to me." But it was happening, and it did eventually happen to them. Black people--all people, don't be caught off of your guard! Be prepared, plan now to deal with the rising fascist activities of the police departments in your communities.

One way we can deal with this problem is through decentralization of the police department, and handing the power to direct and control the activities and policies of this group to the respective communities that they serve. This would make a police officer think twice before he'd shoot someone, because that someone would be from his home neighborhood. And when he got home that night, he'd have to face the enraged family of the victim.

Decentralization of the Police Department is the last of the legal means that the Black Panther Party, and the people will employ to end the murder and brutality that is perpetrated against certain segments of society. The time is now, to join the National Committees to Combat Fascism, and become a functioning part in ending this present and ever-increasing situation. Don't wait until you, your relatives or neighbors have been killed or beaten to become interested and involved in controlling the police. Understand the true meaning of the phrase, "SEIZE THE TIME," and begin immediately to organize your community into a functioning committee to combat fascism.

As was said, this is the last of the legal means that will be employed to convince this racist, fascist system that the people want to control the destiny of their own lives--and one way to begin this, is with the control of the police department. If the system doesn't heed the cry of the National Committees, then we, the people, can only relate to what the Black Panther Party, Minister of Defense Huey P. Newton says, "The racist dog policemen must withdraw immediately from our communities, cease their wanton murder and brutality and torture of Black people, or face the wrath of the armed people."

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE. SEIZE THE TIME, and organize now. Contact the Black Panther Party about working on a National Committee to Combat Fascism in your area today!

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Southern California Chapter
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Los Angeles, California



*HUEY AND LIL' BOBBY (BACKGROUND)*

# THE SKY'S THE LIMIT

If Huey P Newton is not set free the sky is the limit, for we the people will go much farther to set Huey free.

Huey now is like a carpenter without his tool, he with all his knowledge and intellectual abilities denied books to read, or pencil and paper, shut up in that concentration camp. Huey's life is also in constant danger from those racist pig cops.

Huey must be set free now, especially at this time, when it has become apparent that the fascist pig power structure has declared an all out war against the Black Panther Party, and Huey's masterful leadership is what the Party needs now.

The poor-oppressed masses of people in this doomed country who Huey P. Newton has worked so hard for need him. Their unity is falling apart at the seams and brother Huey has a phenomenal gift for unifying people.

The racist pig power structure is aware of this phenomenal gift possessed by Huey, and this is why they're using their Nazi type tactics to keep Huey behind those bars away from the people.

Those m-----f------ pigs with all their technology and know how are afraid of Huey, and their fears are just. They are afraid because they are finally realizing the truth in what Huey was saying when he said, "THE SPIRIT OF THE PEOPLE IS GREATER THAN THE MAN'S TECHNOLOGY."

So we the people say that Huey P. Newton must be set free, and that if he is not set free, pigs will finally feel the true power of the people, or we, will feel the pain of death, and defeat.

FRIEND OF THE PANTHERS
White Plains Branch

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE



*ALFRED LEE AND FAMILY*

# BLACK YOUTH SHOT DOWN IN SANTA ROSA STREETS

John Alfred Lee, a 19 year old Black student enrolled at Santa Rosa Junior College was murdered by White racist Earl Davis of 1537 Corby Ave.

On Saturday night October 12, 1969, shortly after 11:00 p.m. Five white youths approached some companions of Lee's and asked them to buy some beer. After buying the beer for them, Alfred Lee asked for a beer and the White youths refused, taking off with Alfred hanging onto the car door. Lee's friends picked him up after he jumped or fell off the car and chased the white boys to the pig station. Alfred threatened to turn the boys in for assault and having an open container in the car. They then offered to pay Lee and his friends not to say anything. They all left and consequently ended up on Corby Ave. At this point one White youth ran to Davis' house, pig Davis came out with a .38 and blew a hole through young Alfred Lee's body. Alfred Lee was pronounced dead on arrival at Sonama County Hosp. Santa Rosa pigs have released the murderer Pig Davis and all the White youths, while holding one of Alfred's friends for kidnap and robbery, he was later released.

It is apparent that the pigs are not concerned with justice being carried out in the death of Alfred Lee.

Alfred's sister stated that his wife was not allowed to see Alfred to identify him. In fact, she did not see him after his death until the day before the funeral. The only way that Black people are going to put a check on the action and murderings handed down by fascist and racist such as pig Earl Davis is to arm themselves. For this is the only positive method that they can relate too.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

# BY LIFTING THEIR HANDS AGAINST "TORRE" THEY LIFTED THEIR HANDS AGAINST THE BEST THAT HUMANITY POSSESSES

## PRESS STATEMENT



After four months of intensive attempted frame-ups, intimidations, and assaults the Los Angeles Pig Department (metro-squad) has finally succeeded in murdering another of the peoples servants. Walter "Torre" Pope, a 20 year old brother who joined the Black Panther Party shortly after his release from California Youth Authority, Tracey Penitentiary, was killed by the same fascists pigs that have plagued the Black community and the Black Panther Party for years.

Walter Pope had been singled out by local and federal pigs as a prime target because of his effectiveness as Distribution Manager for the Party's Paper in the Southern California area. In the past three months the Los Angeles circulation was raised from 1,500 a week to 7,000 a week under brother Torre's guidance.

Brother Walter Pope had received numerous personalized threats from both the FBI and city pigs. Walter Pope was the victim of numerous false arrests for suspicion of robbery (3 times), or suspicion of attempted murder (twice), was stopped and arrested almost daily and received a minimum of two traffic tickets a week. Brother Walter Pope knew his life was in danger, but he continued to serve the people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

# PROTEST FREE FIVE N. C. YOUTHS

Smithfield, N.C. – Last spring a superior Court judge sentenced five Black youths to 12 years at hard labor – for doing less than $100 worth of damage to a Klan building in the wake of the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The harshness of the sentence shocked White people as well as Blacks in this county southeast of Raleigh, generally considered a Klan stronghold. A bi-racial Committee for Equal Justice, which included a number of substantial White citizens, protested the case and raised legal expenses. They circulated petitions declaring that the sentences were "excessively harsh" and got hundreds of signatures – from Blacks and Whites.

Many Klan members and sympathizers were horrified by the sentences. "I've got no use for them niggers – they broke the law," one old farmer said. "But it just don't seem fair to send 'em up for 12 years."

A gas-station attendant who admitted to "a little Klan activity every now and then" said he thought the young Blacks "got a rotten deal."

Even the judge had second thoughts. "I don't mind admitting I may have made a bad judgment – a mistake," he said. "But I'm not going to do anything about it unless the governor or parole commission requests it."

Thomas Lassiter, the editor of the Smithfield Herald, campaigned against the sentences. "This case represents such an obvious injustice that a lot of people's sense of fairness has come into play," he said. "Many of them have gotten involved in something for the first time in their lives, and I don't think they're going to let the matter drop. That could make some difference."

It did make some difference. In August Governor Bob Scott of North Carolina responded to public pressure and pardoned the five youths.

All across America, Black people rose up in anger after Dr. King's assassination. In Benson, a small town in Johnston County, the tension was heightened by carloads of Whites who drove through the Black community with guns showing. Five young Blacks – Scotty Gathers, Percy Barfield, Donnell Lockamy, Jesse Jones, and Leo Stewart – decided to strike back.

They lit gasoline-soaked rags near the door of a Klan hut – a battered cinder-block building located in the Black neighborhood. The fire was discovered before $100 worth of damage had been done; the young men were soon arrested, and they pleaded guilty to the charges. They asked for mercy on the ground of their youth, their previous good records, and the circumstances that provoked their action.

Unfortunately for them, the sentencing came only a month after a scuffle between young Blacks and Whites in Smithfield, the county seat, which had resulted in several arrests and more than $100,000 property damage.

Superior Court Judge William Y Bickett said: "The courts must stop people from damaging other people's property. The way to do that is to punish them." He gave the five Benson youths 12 years in prison "at hard labor."

The sentence seemed even more unreasonable because, only one day earlier, Bickett had suspended the sentence of a Black girl who pleaded guilty to setting a tobacco barn on fire, causing property damage estimated at $1,000.

Members of the Committee for Equal Justice point out that, in 1965, four White boys who admitted bombing an all-Negro school – causing more than $700 in damages – received suspended sentences. One youth, older than the others and with a record of serious crime, was sentenced to 7 - 10 years.

None of the Black youths involved in the present case has a record. The youngest is now 17; the oldest, 21. They have a high educational average – two were in college, one in trade school, one in high school, and the fifth was working in a plant while waiting to be admitted to a trade school.

Johnston County's image is projected by a huge billboard just outside Smithfield – a hooded, torch-bearing Klansman on a snorting stallion. "Smithfield is Klan Country," the sign proclaims.

There is no doubt that many local Whites either belong to the Klan or sympathize with it. But Leon Penny, deputy director of the community-action program, says "I really don't think they're as strong as most people think. They put on big shows, put up signs, do a lot of talking But as far as actually doing anything – they've burned a few crosses and shot into some houses."

Penny thinks the real danger from the Klan is "not the intimidation they bring against private citizens – but against public officials. I think just about all public officials have succumbed to it."

But in many ways Johnston County does not fit the stereotype of a Klan-dominated rural area.

The poverty program, now in its third year of operation, is interracial. About 40 per cent of the children in the head-start program, for example, are White - very unusual in the South. The staff is interracial.

The NAACP started a county-wide branch five years ago; they have a substantial membership among the county's 14,000 Blacks.

The Republicans are gaining strength as the county becomes steadily more industrial – so the Black vote can sometimes decide whether the Democrats or Republicans win. For Black people, "it's a choice between the pot and the kettle" – but it is a source of potential strength.

If, as Penny suggests, a not necessarily large group of vocal racists has been able to pull politicians and officials to the right – so that "the Klan point of view prevails at the public level" – the core of liberal Whites and Blacks which developed around this case may help to shift the balance.

# CONTINUOUS REPRESSION AGAINST THE VANGUARD PARTY

Repression is rapidly increasing everyday in fascist America against the Black Panther Party and genocide against the Vietnamese people in Viet Nam is increasing everyday by fascist G.I.'s who don't seem to realize what they are doing. Panthers are getting murdered everyday for the same reasons the Vietnamese people are dying for, that is, the liberation of our people. Pigs destroy our offices, shoot them up with shotguns and magnums and arrest Panthers on "made-up-on-the-spot-charges." Our leaders are being railroaded into courts after they are tagged with some of the most trumped up charges of the century and then their constitutional rights are denied by fascist judges, such as in the case of our Chairman Bobby Seale by Julius "Adolph" Hoffman. Bobby Seale, our National Chairman is being held in jail on a so called charge of "conspiracy to incite a riot", and out of all the so called conspiracy eight, he is the only one being held. I mentioned earlier that he was being denied his constitutional rights. It is not a violation of the rights of citizens of fascist America to be railroaded into court without legal defense of his choice present so that he can recieve fair representation. But fair representation for a Black man in America's fascist, racist courts does not exist today and this is just one of the many reasons our Chairman, Bobby Seale is incarcerated now, because he is fighting to get point number nine of our Ten Point Platform and Program implemented for the welfare of Black people, and it says: "We want all Black people when brought to trial to be tried in a court by a jury of their peer groups or people from their Black communities as defined by the constitution of the United States." The fascist judges and D A's of the courts are supposed to be going along with the program of the U S. Constitution but as you can see by their practice it is something entirely different. Our leader Huey P. Newton, is incarcerated for so called killing a police officer. Our Minister of Information, Eldridge Cleaver, exiled from this fascist country for educating the people to the truth...David Hilliard our Chief of Staff, is being railroaded into court now for charges that were previously dropped and brought up again by some of Nixon's puppets on his orders to get all the leadership of the Black Panther Party, not just a few but all of them. This way they think the Party will fall apart. And as you can very well see his chumps are hard at work. What about other members of the Party, the New York 21, the Conn. 8, Landon and Rory, Charles Bursey and a large number of others incarcerated fighting for the liberation of poor and oppressed people all over the world? Now doesn't this seem like a well calculated plot to jail revolutionaries all over the U.S. These are just a few of the hundreds of conspiracies planned by SISSY Nixon, Mickey Mouse Reagon, Mussolini Alioto and racist judge Julius H. "Adolph" Hoffman against the Black Panther Party and the repression will continue. But the people are going forth with their community control of police petition. And the people's patience are not everlasting. This is what the people want and this is what the people will get and that is why we say ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE! because the power is truly manifested in the people.

SEIZE THE TIME!
FREE ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS

Belinda

# K.C. PRESS RELEASE

The Black Panther Party of Kansas City understands that because of the repression and the barbaric tactics of the pig power structure which are being leveled on the vanguard of the people's revolution. It clearly shows that there is a distinct line of demarcation between the enemies of the people and the servants of the people. The Black Panther Party's program is based on going forth to ensure that the needs and desires of the people are met.

Our fearless Minister of Defense, Huey P. Newton, is a present victim of such repression because of his dedication and denouncement of such acts perpetrated against our people.

If it was not for Huey P. Newton, the Ten Point Platform and Program of the Black Panther Party would not be in the process of being implemented through socialistic programs around the nation.

Another of these programs is presently being implemented as of today with the opening of the Free Bobby Hutton Community Health Clinic.

Because we have felt the need to meet the needs and desires of the people, the pig power structure has intensified their vicious acts of wanton murder and brutality.

Today, the confrontation with several oinking pigs against some of our revolutionary brothers and sisters while selling papers and educating the unaware masses, was in truth, a pressured conspiracy to try and eliminate the effective methods of reaching the people.

Today, since the people are responding to these socialistic programs that meet their desires and needs, it is evident that the pig power structure feels that this is a sure threat to their last desparate struggle for the survival of imperialism, capitalism, racism, and overt fascism.

Two sisters and four brothers of this chapter were vamped on by the piglets of this racist police department. They were out educating and relating to the people of the community on the fascism that is so prominently displayed by these politically manipulated pigs.

They oinked in the face of one of our brothers and accused him of driving without proper state licenses. What the pigs did not know is that the people had their legal first-aid uptight and saw what was going on. They saw that this was just a farce to try and immobilize the vanguard Party and diminish the effect it has within the community.

In the process of subjugating the brothers and sisters to unnecessary repression, the pigs tried to impose fictitious charges and unfounded reasons for inflicting some act of aggression. They were seen by a substantial number of the people who were witnesses, like Mrs. Ernestine Allen and her daughter, Mrs. Delores Fisher, for instance, and several other indignant citizens that know that the action of the pigs was unfounded and fallacious.

The pigs proceeded to search the car in which the brother was driving, imposed a search on the sisters, and looked into their handbags and actually took the license plates off the brothers' car and put it in the back of the car; this was to make it look like the brother did not have the proper license.

All were taken to the pig sty and although they could not hold them on any so-called legal violation, it was evident that the main purpose was to detain them from serving the people.

The three witnesses and others who saw the racist pigs trying to intimidate the brothers and sisters responded with indignation and scorn.

These witnesses came to the rescue of the Panthers because they can see that the vanguard is here to serve the people and to educate them with practical socialistic programs to meet the needs of the people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
Free All Political Prisoners!
Educate to liberate!

# AMBUSH

On the night of October 10, 1969, Deputy Chairman, Pete O'Neal of the Missouri Chapter was ambushed in a parking lot at 3219 Troost by two White, racist lackeys who shot him in the right arm in an attempt to kill (silence) him.

The ambush is believed to be part of a plan to keep Pete and officers of the Missouri chapter from going to Washington D.C to present evidence to Senator McClellan's Permanent Investigations Subcommittee which is looking into the scandal of the retired provost marshall, General Carl Turner, receiving guns from the K.C Police Department and the Chicago Police Department.

Deputy Chairman Pete and Panther Johnny Jacobs were in the area of 33rd and Troost collecting evidence for the impending trip to Washington when a car carrying at least two White men drove up slowly. Then a volley of shots rang out, hitting Pete in the right arm as he and Johnny ducked to the ground.

On October 8, 1969, the Missouri Chapter of the Black Panther Party held a press conference accusing Pig Chief Clarence M. Kelly of not only allowing guns to be given to military pig Turner, but also giving guns to the Minutemen, a super-fascist bull----, right-wing group. The Party believes that the cowardly shooting of Pete O'Neal was a consequence of the possession of this dangerous evidence.

This has been the second Panther shot by the fascists here recently. The first, Andy Rollins, was shot by the pigs in the right ear as he left the Free Health Clinic to sell the Black Panther newspaper.

The Black Panther Party is prepared to expose Chief Kelly and his actions to Kansas City. He has masqueraded as a 'guardian of the law' and he has repeatedly brutalized the Black community. He told us concerning the gun issue to either "put up or shut up."

On Monday, October 13, 1969, Pete, Bill Whitfield (Deputy Minister of Information), and Keith Hinch (Deputy Minister of Education) "put up" evidence before the subcommittee. Hopefully the people of Kansas City will run Pig Kelly out of town. And as for the shooting, we know who is responsible. If that's the way they want to play, we're ready!

SEIZE THE TIME!

Missouri Chapter
Black Panther Party



*DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, PETE O'NEAL*

# SEAT OF FASCISM

Pete O'Neal was shot because of the threat to put forth evidence that shows that Pig Chief Clarence M. Kelly (K. C. Police Dept.) has authorized the transfer of guns to the Minutemen. However, as Deputy Chairman Pete was shot, Keith Hinch and Bill Whitfield were preparing the trip to Washington, D.C. to testify before the Senate subcommittee that is investigating the gun transfer.

On Monday October 13, 1969, at 5:00 am, we left for Washington. At approximately 9:30 -- 10:00 am we arrived at the seat of fascism and proceeded directly to the hearing room of the Senate Permanent Investigations Subcommittee. The hearing was in progress when we arrived.

About 30 minutes later we were allowed to go in after we were told by Phillip Manuel, subcommittee aide, that we could not testify because we had not sent the evidence of Pig Kelly's actions through the pig's mail to them. We then made firm to ourselves that we would give testimony -- unsolicited if necessary.

The hearing itself which concerned at that time the investigation of former provost marshall of the Army, Carl Turner (Retired General) and his dealings with guns from the Chicago Police Department. Superintendent James Conlisk, was a circus as Turner repeatedly claimed that his memory wasn't too sharp on certain occasions. As the McClellan committee proceeded to tighten the vise on Turner's ass, we heard testimony that really made him look like a damn fool. Meanwhile, Pig Chief Kelly of the Kansas City Pigs walked the floor (with several rolls of toilet paper nearby) looking two centuries older than he probably is. Obviously he spotted us as we came in.

Senator Abraham Ribicoff, who presided at the hearing, was about to recess the hearing when Pete stepped forward at the back of the crowded room and commenced to run down the facts that we had concerning this case. Immediately guards jumped and were about to throw us out but the information that we gave the committee stunned them (they didn't seem to be too cool, anyway).

As we knew, the subcommittee refused to deal with the issue and asked us to talk with their staff. Later on their staff wanted to see the information that we had but we insisted that they first commit themselves to giving us a formal hearing. They refused.

At this time Pig Chief Kelly is shaking in his jockey strap at the thought of our having information that could have him removed from his position. We are being extremely cautious because we feel he is planning some street action which could have all three of us killed. Therefore, we are preparing to defend ourselves, the thresholds of our doors in accordance with Huey P. Newton's Executive Mandate #3 and we are prepared to defend the interests of the Black community of Kansas City, to do the thing to this racist fool, this tool of the international IMPERIALIST conspiracy.

If we can return to Washington to testify we shall. But regardless of that, the people will find out what Kelly's up to. Very soon!! WE HAVE THE GOODS ON KELLY!

BLACK PANTHER PARTY
Missouri Chapter, Central Staff
Keith Hinch, Deputy Minister of Education



*PIG JUSTICE*

# BOBBY HUTTON FREE HEALTH CLINIC



*HEALTH, THE TRUE WEALTH OF MANKIND*

The Kansas City Chapter of the Black Panther Party has intensified the struggle. With the opening today of the Bobby Hutton Community Free Health Clinic. The Clinic was opened to the people today for their inspection, and investigation. It is important that the people relate to the pressing health needs that the clinic will fufill.

We are presently equipped with the basic medical equipment necessary to serve the people everyday, more equipment is being contributed daily. The avaricious businessmen, the lying politician and the fascist pig cop cannot understand this program and because of their basic nature will never be able to understand why this program will work.

We are to struggle hard against the death and disease that exist in Babylon. And if we can understand free health, then we can understand, free housing, free transportation and free people.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

Kansas City Chapter



RON KARENGA



LEROI JONES

# BLACK THING CO-OPTED

Ron "Malingering" Karenga, founder and misleading bourgeois priest of the US organization and cultural nationalism, must be described as being synonymous to the lying, murdering, demagogic pigs of the USA's organization, the CIA But perhaps he is one lower than the usual run of the mill pig, because he has sold out and he is still selling out. He is using his Black skin and the foul knowledge embodied in his bald head to mesmerize Black people, to lead the people into believing a dashiki is more powerful than a pig's speeding bullet. The reason that pork chop nationalists have been able to get people to support their banner, which is manifested in a teaspoon of apolitical rhetoric, is because Black people are looking for something, for anything functional to eliminate the oppressor country fascists that have gone crazy, misleading, denying, and murdering them.

When rebellion sprang out in the colony, it was very beneficial for some greedy, articulate, nigger with a beard, bald head, and shades to take to the podium expounding on a Black-and-proud line, with slogans appealing (not necessarily helpful) to oppressed ears. This has been the basis for the coming together of the cultural nationalists in the Black colony of Babylon. In the outstart, the pig power structure saw this as an advantage. They (the pigs) knew Black people were moving in a new direction, even though the direction in which they were moving was spontaneous, it was expressing itself in more violent terms. So the fascists put blood money into the colony and the pork chops slid into the melting pot. Now they are full-fledged pigs, out to corral and pacify a new wave called the "Black thing". The aim is to turn it toward Black capitalism.

So with the help of pig money, the cultural nationalists are sponsoring Black. When we have the occasion to check out various news media, Blackness is now in vogue. It has become as commercial as Coca Cola, an inroad to capitalism.

But the aim of double O agent Karenga and his elite core is not to make Black capitalists out of Black people, but to keep them at the "buy Black" level, that is customers. So this is the purpose of their doctrine: to build a character around Blackness deeply embodied with 16th century Africa and western styled bubas with matching bell bottoms, hoping that they can build a brainwashing or charisma to make Black people believe being Black, living Black, buying Black, etc. is the essence of liberation. But we say to Karenga, and Jones, and all the rest of their misleading fools who oink at the people, that we are hip to you and will not allow you to erroneously lead the people down the road to capitalism. We have experienced pig capitalism; and for what it's worth we can forget it!

SEIZE THE TIME
Jymbo

# WHAT'S THERE TO CELEBRATE?

Jim Tate wants to hold a Bicentennial Celebration in Philadelphia in 1976. What's there to celebrate? Children are going to school hungry (The Black Panther Party has started a Free Breakfast for children Program), people aren't getting adequate medical care (The Black Panther Party is going to open a Free Health Clinic), Black people are being brutalized by the pigs, that is, the so-called "Police" Department (The Black Panther Party is circulating a petition for Community Control of the Police Dept.). Frustrated young bloods are defending their corners when they should be defending the community (The Black Panther Party will educate by example that the Black Community is to be looked after and defended by those who live there), and Jim Tate wants to spend fifty million dollars or more to hold a godd----d celebration. What's there to celebrate?

Frank Rizzo has sanctioned the murder of Joseph Brooks, a fifteen year old epileptic, because the crime was committed by one of his goons. Joe Brooks, visibly retarded, had a knife and the only way Rizzo's Gestapo Goon could disarm him was by shooting him in the face. Rizzo sanctioned the shooting of Joseph Slater because it was done by one of his Gestapo Goons. Joe Slater was in his own home, unarmed, and stepped in front of his unarmed son to protect him. Rizzo sanctioned the beating of Tom Singleton, a Black businessman who's going to have triple vision in one eye for the rest of his life. Tom Singleton was trying to prevent an argument between out-of-town friends and some strangers. After having his eye smashed, he discovered that the "strangers" were Rizzo's Gestapo Goons. He sanctioned the shooting of Tyrone Wertes, who's going to be paralyzed, probably for the rest of his life. The Gestapo Goon that shot Ty Wertes "thought" that he was involved in a robbery. If they're going to hold a Bicentennial, what's there to celebrate?

A tenement at 2242 N. 16th Street is literally falling apart. Fire extinguishers are brought in for inspection and then moved. And that godd----d fool in City Hall, James H. J. Tate by name, wants to spend millions of dollars on a Bicentennial Celebration. JUST WHAT IN THE HELL IS THERE TO CELEBRATE?

Organize your block. Or the bloods on the corner. Organize somebody quick, because power must be returned to the people! If you need help when you start to organize, contact the Black Panther Party at CE6-3358. Hurry. This country is in deep trouble. And we don't have much time. Escpecially for celebrations.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
SEIZE THE TIME!

Milt McGriff
Black Panther Party Candidate for City Council
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*PRESS RELEASE*

# MARTIN SOSTRE DEFENSE COMMITTEE

Mrs. Geraldine Robinson, co-defendant of Black liberation fighter, Martin Sostre, was sentenced today by County Court Judge Ernest Colucci, marking the culmination of a vicious frame-up and racist trial. Mrs. Robinson was given a 7-15 year suspended sentence at the Westfield State Farm Prison Division on a phony narcotics charge, and one year sentence at the Western Reformatory for Women at Albion, New York for the equally phony charge of "interfering with an arrest."

Mrs. Robinson was arrested along with Martin Sostre in July of 1967, on trumped up narcotics charges, following a rebellion in Buffalo's Black community for which she and Martin were singled out as scapegoats.

MISCARRIAGE OF JUSTICE

This sentence, like that of Sostre's incredible 41 years, 30 day term, is clearly a travesty and miscarriage of justice. Mrs. Robinson, a 25 year old Black mother of five children was tried by an all-white, middle-aged, middle-class, suburban jury, a white judge and a white racist prosecutor. This flagrant violation of Mrs. Robinson's rights and the brutal attempts to intimidate her by interring this heroic woman in one of Rockefeller's nazi-like concentration camps can only be seen as a further attempt by the ruling class to crush the Black Liberation Movement and must be fought.

RULING CLASS TRIPLE TALK

This one year sentence must also be seen as an attempt by the ruling class to discourage appeal. It is a move to try and make the people forget about the astounding and vindictive "life sentence" imposed on the 46 year old Sostre! Mrs. Robinson was represented at sentencing by Attorney Bill Myers who immediately filed notice of appeal after making a motion to have Mrs. Robinson named as an indigent person for appeal purposes. The attorney is also seeking a writ of habeas corpus so that Mrs Robinson can be released from jail.



MRS. GERALDINE ROBINSON AND FAMILY

COURT'S RACIST SENTENCE ORPHANS FIVE BLACK CHILDREN

Judge Colucci denied a motion by Myers to continue Mrs. Robinson in $10,000 bail pending an Application for Certificate of Reasonable Doubt. She was rushed from the courtroom surrounded by five guards--four men and a woman. As she was led through the door, she turned briefly to her family, friends, and supporters from the Martin Sostre Defense Committee who filled the courtroom. With her head held high, she gave a determined clinched fist to everyone-including two of her five children. The children, only moments before frolicking, very much understood that the White racist court had torn them from their mother. Mrs. Robinson has three other children also. The children are being cared for by relatives. Before she was whisked away to the Albion, New York prison (about 50 miles from Buffalo), she urged: "Don't waste any tears, and please take care of my children. Continue the struggle!"

FREE GERALDINE ROBINSON!

# I. H. WORKS SHUT DOWN




PIGS BLOCK INTERNATIONAL HARVESTER WORKERS

On October 9, the workers at the International Harvester Tractor Works in Chicago closed down their factory. They walked out because of the plans of the pig owners, the super-avaricious pig McCormicks, to tear the factory down and sell the land to the county to build a new jail.

Their union contract (United Auto Workers) says that the workers will be transferred to another factory, with seniority guaranteed. In reality, the workers are all being transferred to the Hough Works, which is 50 miles outside of Chicago, and a lily-White suburb. It is too far to commute, and it is impossible for Black workers (50% or more of the employees) to live out there. Also, the union and the management made a sweet heart agreement about seniority at the Hough Works -- all workers transferring from the Tractor Works will have no seniority at all.

The Black Panther Party has been relating to the workers at Tractor Works for two months now, both internally and externally There are Panthers working there, carrying on political education, and propagandizing. Also, there are Panthers permanently assigned to carrying on mass propagandizing at the gates during every shift change. After they had been out there for a couple of days, the workers became used to seeing them, and they began getting into regular rap sessions.

The afternoon of the shutdown, we held a mass rally in the park that separates the jail from the factory. The avaricious pigs were so scared of the power of the workers that they brought in five busloads of pigs, plus they had squad cars, paddy wagons, and sheriff's pigs posted all the way around the factory (from 26th to 31st) and the jail.

Basically, our line is to form a united working class, and to educate the workers to the fact that the factories should belong to the workers. We say that the destiny of that factory should be determined by the people who work there, and we are advocates of strikes and any other means necessary to turn the means of production over to the hands of the people.

ALL POWER TO THE WORKERS
FIGHT FOR A UNITED WORKING CLASS

Lynn French Labor

# DEFENSE OF THE NEW HAVEN PANTHER 14

People from all over the New Haven community have come together to demand the release of the 14 jailed Black Panthers in Connecticut. The New Haven 14, which now includes Panther Party Chairman Bobby Seale, are being held without bail on a variety of charges, including murder and conspiracy to murder Alex Rackley. As it shapes up now, the defense effort outside the courtroom in the months before the trial will have two main goals: educational work in the New Haven community about the Panthers and the current persecution, and fund-raising for the defense. In order to carry out this work in as full a manner as possible, two groups have been set up: a more liberal and defense-oriented Coalition to Defend the Panthers, and a more radical and political People to Free the Panthers.

The Coalition to Defend the Panthers was launched at a news conference on October 1st, which got extensive press coverage in the New Haven area. The Coalition has five organizations from the Black community (Black Coalition; Justice, Order and Equality; Dixwell Legal Rights Association, Hill Parents Association, and Freedom Now), five from the student community (SDS, Student Health Organization, Yale Divinity School Association, Architect's Resistance, and the Science Action Group), two Black student organizations (Organization of Afro-American Students at Southern Connecticut State College, and the Yale Black Law Students), and three adult white groups (American Independent Movement, Coalition of Concerned Citizens, and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom)

This Coalition will be broad enough to include people who do not necessarily agree with the whole Panther program, but who do believe in any case that the Panthers are being persecuted for their political beliefs. The main line of the Coalition in its educational work will be that the Panther case has received such prejudicial coverage in the press that a "fair trial" is impossible, and that therefore the Panthers should be freed immediately.

In its opening statement, the Coalition said, "The May 22 New Haven Register carried mug shots of arrested Panthers all across the front page as accompaniment to a highly inflammatory article in which several "leaks" from police sources were cited to describe alleged evidence against the Panthers. The tone of this article and others, coupled with the disclosure of evidence which, if it exists at all, should only be introduced at the trial, is an attempt to violate the Panthers' constitutionally - guaranteed presumption of innocence and ensure conviction of the Panthers before the trial even begins. The Black Panther Party takes radical political postions, and members of the party, in violation of their constitutional rights, are on trial for those positions. The arrest of Bobby Seale, National Chairman of the Party, raises the possibility that this trial will become the Sacco and Vanzetti trial of the 1970's. It is this that the "Coalition seeks to avoid."

Since the Coalition is primarily middle-class, its main educating work will be aimed at middle-class groups and people. Plans call for a campaign in the community in which Coalition speakers will appear before any forum they can get: church groups, PTA's, reform organizations, neighborhood groups, and so on. Their first task will be to speak about the current persecution, and explain how the rights of the Panthers are being violated because of their radical political beliefs. They will then discuss and try to explain the Panther political program. Finally, they will ask groups either to join the Coalition or act in their own way to spread the word throughout the community about the Panthers. In each case, defense money will be asked for. It is hoped that whenever possible, Coalition spokesmen will be able to speak to groups they are most familiar with. For example, the Divinity students will be asked to speak to every church in New Haven.

The work of the Coalition is quite limited and strictly defensive in nature. The People to Free the Panthers, on the other hand, will be much more radical and directly political in its actions. This group, which will function under the leadership of the Panthers, is comprised of radicals who on the whole agree with the political program of the Panthers, and want to work not just to free the New Haven 14, but to advance the work of the Panthers and the movement in general. The makeup of this group is naturally quite different from that of the Coalition. The People to Free the Panthers is made up of movement people in New Haven, primarily members of the Panthers, SDS and the American Independent Movement.

While this group also plans to concentrate on education, it has chosen the white working class community and the student community in which to do its work. It plans to issue a newspaper-leaflet every one or two weeks, which in the beginning will be the focus of its educational work. 20 or 30 thousand copies will be printed. Some people will use the leaflets in organizing work, that they are already doing. Others will simply fan out to canvas door-to-door in white working class areas of New Haven. They will talk to people about the case and about the Panthers, and try to enlist their support.

On campus, the People to Free the Panthers have already held one teach-in and intend to carry on this work. Efforts will be made immediately to do educational work on the several community college campuses in the New Haven area as well as at Yale. Special concentration will be put on gaining the support of Black student groups on each campus.

While all this planning goes on, the Panther 14 remain in jail, being held without bail under miserable conditions. Worst of all, three of the sister Panthers being held are pregnant. Two of them are expecting their babies within two months. On an immediate level, this means that these women, who naturally need all the rest they can get, are spending sleepless nights in a Connecticut jail because the prison authorities deem it "necessary" to shine lights in their cells all night to ward off "outside threats."

What is even more horrendous is what will happen if the women are forced to have their babies while in jail. First of all, they will give birth under armed guards. Then, unless they have been able to make what the state regards as "suitable arrangements" for care of their children, their babies will be taken from them and put into foster homes. Naturally it is rather difficult for these women to make "suitable arrangements" since they are not allowed any non-family visitors in jail. Finally, when the women are released from jail, the burden will be on them to prove that they are "qualified" to regain their own children.

The People to Free the Panthers are centering their first educational campaign around this atrocious situation. In a confrontation with state prison authorities, the group and one of the Panther lawyers, Catherine Rorabach, asked if this situation was not particularly a violation of the women's rights in view of the fact that they have not yet been convicted of any crime. But the prison officials, when asked if they made any distinction between accused persons and convicted criminals, simply said "No". Obviously, as far as these and other officials are concerned, the Panthers are already considered guilty! And they do not plan to wait for the formality of a kangaroo trial before treating them as such.

Meanwhile, despite the fact that the busts last spring almost emptied the local Panther organization, the Party is now continuing its political activities. This means that although the Panthers are being forced to spend a great deal of time on defensive operations, they are determined not to let the current persecution keep them from their ongoing political work.

At the time of the bust last May, the Panthers were about to start a New Haven Breakfast Program. When the police attacked Panther headquarters, they "confiscated" the money the Party had already collected for this purpose. On October 8th, after having to build again from scratch, the Panthers launched their Breakfast Program, and expect to expand it rapidly in the future. In general, the Panthers are working in the several Black communities in New Haven, getting the word out to the people. As part of their program, they are also working with a group of people fighting lead poisoning, and with a local welfare mothers group. More information on Party activity in New Haven will be covered in a future article.




*CONNECTICUT PANTHERS ON MAY DAY*

# CONNECTICUT PRISONERS

It has become increasingly apparent in the past few months that a fair trial for the Panthers will be difficult if not impossible due to prejudicial pre-trial publicity and general public ignorance about the Panthers and their program. It has also become clear that the Panthers presently in jail are not being treated fairly even though they have not been tried and thus are presumed innocent. The latter treatment is something directly under the control of Commissioner of Correctkions MacDougall.

The five Panther women held at Niantic State Farm are isolated from all other inmates with whom they are forbidden to eat, speak, or exercise. Their mail is censored coming and going. Books they have requested have been denied, while others brought to them by visitors have been turned away by prison personnel. They may not read their Party's newspaper - the only paper which carries continuing coverage of their case. They may be visited only by family, clergy, and lawyers who were with them at the first appearance, many of whom took the job on an emergency temporary basis. Nevertheless, the women may not interview other lawyers in order to have a choice of counsel. Nor can they have visits from friends of their own age for morale purposes. Shortly after their arrival, search-lights were installed which keep their cells lit all night. Patrols outside shine spotlights through their windows and at one point used walkie-talkies whose volume and feedback squeal combined with the lights to make sleep extremely difficult. Three of the women are in their last months of pregnancy and obviously should not be held under these conditions. In addition one of the women is without a local family, and being in jail, cannot find a temporary home for her child. It is likely that the State will place it in a home. If released, she will have to go through a lengthy administrative process in order to have her baby returned, none of which would have happened if she had not been kept in jail before trial.

The only real answer is of course that the women and their codefendants should be set free before trial on a bail they can raise. But short of that, the conditions described above must be eliminated by Commissioner MacDougall immediately. When asked about the noise from the walkie-talkies, he did not say that this was regrettable, but merely that we need not worry anymore because they were all broken. When asked why the women could not read what they liked he explained that he had to prevent what he called inflammatory materials from getting into the prison population. It was pointed out to him that the women themselves were already isolated, and that being isolated there was no reason to censor their reading material since it could not get to any other inmates. For this he had no answer, or at least declined to give one. Perhaps most disturbing was his admission that no distinction in treatment is made between prisoners who have been convicted of a crime, and those still awaiting trial and therefore presumed innocent.

Commissioner Macdougall is charged under the laws of Connecticut with the power to make these policies. He is therefore under an obligation to the community to defend or at least explain them. We hereby respectfully ask Commissioner MacDougall for a withdrawal or reasonable explanation for each of the above listed policies. We ask in particular for an explanation of the 'freedom to read' issue because it seems so clear to us that there can be no explanation for this. Either let the women out of isolation, or allow them to read what they like. To do otherwise is to punish them before trial. It strikes us that the only explanation for the harsh treatment that these prisoners have received is that Commissoner MacDougall is politically motivated to avoid appearing "soft" on Panthers.

There is an increasing recognition among citizens that certain issues are being dodged. People watching this affair have become impatient with evasion, and feel that the time has come to either put up or shut up: we must either live up fully to our constitutional guarantees, or admit that we are really not willing to do so.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!




*DOUG MIRANDA (CENTER)*

# STATEMENT FROM NEW HAVEN AREA CAPTAIN DOUG MIRANDA

The arrest and frameup of eight New Haven Black Panthers on trumped-up charges of murder is another incident in a nationwide campaign by state, local, and Federal police to destroy the Black Panther Party. Hours after the eight members of the Black Panther Party were charged with murder, local newspapers had tried and literally convicted them without even the pretense of a trial. The New Haven Register had spread sensational headlines based totally on one-sided information which was leaked from some mysterious chamber down in city hall.

The completely unproven rumor of tapes of "the murder" is only a small part of the slanderous attack on the Black Panther Party in New Haven. By using such tactics, government officials have only displayed their corruption. Their unrestrained attempts to crush the Panther Party will educate people to understand that these politicians constantly trick the people while serving their own selfish interests.

The Black Panther Party is a political party which serves the basic needs and wants of the people. Alex Rackley was a member of the Black Panther Party in good standing. He was a member of the Party which serves the people; therefore, he was a servant of the people. If any member of the Panther Party acts in a manner against the people, such as a police informer, he is not killed or tortured, he is thrown out of the Party and his name, picture, and the reason for expulsion appears in our national paper. If any member wishes to leave the Party he is shown to the door. The Black Panther Party does not force anyone to stay against their wishes, because all true members of our Party are unified behind educating and serving the people in a manner which will best bring about freedom from social injustice.

The Free Breakfast Progam is one of the many programs started by the Party and given to the people as a service (and education) to the community. At present across the country we feed over 40,000 children of all colors. Hunger knows no color. Last week on Thursday, October 9, 1969, the Black Panther Party, along with the community, started the first free breakfast in New Haven, Conn. The first free breakfast, which started on a rainy day, had an attendance of fifteen children. The second day of the breakfast was attended by thirty-five children. The number will grow everyday as the people begin to truly see the Black Panther Party as a People's Party, and the only way the people are going to begin to understand where the Party is coming from is through our social practice. The Free Breakfast Program is presently being held at the Newhallville Teen Lounge, located at 179 Shelton Ave. New locations are needed throughout the city.

The Party work here in New Haven has been set back by the lies and terror tactics used by the government to destroy us. So the Party, along with other organizations must move to educated the people to our program, and the repressive measures the government has taken against us. Our coalition with these individuals and organizations have two major goals:

1. To counteract the prejudicial publicity against the Panthers by educating New Haven citizens about the Panthers positive community programs and about the legal rights which they must receive to have a fair trial.

2. To raise money for the legal defense of the Panthers and to carry on the work of the Coalition in the Panthers' behalf.

# OPEN LETTER TO ELLIS MACDOUGALL

Mr. Ellis MacDougall
Commissioner of Corrections
State of Connecticut

Dear Mr. DacDougall:

The purpose of this letter is to reiterate certain questions posed from the floor of the Council of Corrections meeting on October 6th. Though feelings on both sides ran somewhat high in the course of discussion, the questions reflected a legitimate concern, and were asked in good faith. We therefore believe they deserve sincere and straightforward answers. Those questions were:

1) Why are the Panther women in Niantic not permitted to read anything they like? Inasmuch as they are kept isolated from other inmates, it certainly cannot be for the sole justification that was offered - to prevent "inflammatory materials" from reaching the prison population. If the concern is that they will themselves become 'inflamed', what could infuriate anyone more then censoring their reading?

2) Why are the women kept isolated from other inmates against their will? It would seem that the women should be let out of isolation, if in fact censorship of their reading prevents them from distributing any "inflammatory materials" to the prison community.

3) Why can they not be permitted visits from friends?

4) Why can they not interview other attorneys who have volunteered to help them?

5) Finally, and this extends to all pre-trial prisoners, why is it, as you admitted, that no distinction in treatment is made between prisoners convicted of crimes and people awaiting trial who are presumed innocent under our system?

We regret having thus to place under pressure a person who appears genuinely to have fought public and legislative indifference for a better funded prison system. Perhaps it is precisely for this reason that we are so puzzled by policies which seem to us unnecessarily harsh. We look forward to thoughtful and direct answers to the questions above.

Sincerely,

Christopher Wilson on
behalf of the People
to Free the Panthers




# Civil Servants, Public Officials Speak Out

The Hon. Ellis C. MacDougall
Commissioner of Corrections
Room 412, State Office Building
Hartford, Connecticut 06115

Dear Sir:

Last Wednesday, while you were away, I spoke to Mr. Manson concerning a number of the conditions under which clients of mine are being held at the State Farm for Women in Niantic. Many of these complaints relate, of course, to conditions imposed on all prisoners in State institutions. Whether or not this is the case, however, I am writing this letter to you to protest the conditions imposed upon my clients and to ask for their correction. In the event that some of the issues raised relate to other prisoners and the overall operation of the "correctional" system in Connecticut, I would appreciate it if you would consider this letter a request to review and revise all of your regulations.

The clients of whom I am speaking are firstly, Ericka Huggins, Margaret Hudgins and Frances Carter, all held without bail prior to trial on criminal charges brought by the State's Attorney of New Haven County and by a grand jury sitting in that county, and secondly Carmen Jefcoat, held prior to trial on federal charges who has been and will be unable to post the bail set in her case.

As you can see these four women are not present at the Farm to serve sentences imposed by the courts or to receive your "correctional" services. Rather their detention is a pre-trial detention placing them in a radically different category from the ordinary inmate. They have not as yet been proven guilty of any crime; they are still clothed with the "presumption of innocence" to which they are entitled; they need in the pre-trial stages ready and free access to counsel, family, friends and all others who might aid in the preparation of their defense; and they deserve to be able to live in the least restricted circumstances possible until such time as they are indeed found guilty of criminal activity, at which time they would be within your jurisdiction for "correctional" work.

With these considerations in mind I would like to protest the following:

1. The isolation of my clients from all other prisoners and, in the case of Carmen Jefcoat, her isolation from all other persons including my other clients.
2. The detention of my clients within the prison without any outdoor exercise or recreation.
3. The confinement of my client Carmen Jefcoat to her cell, a room perhaps 6' x 8'.
4. The confinement of my clients Ericka Huggins, Margaret Hudgins and Frances Carter to a short corridor and the cells off of it, and on occasion their confinement to their individual cells.
5. The installation of exterior search lights flooding the walls and cells of my clients with light throughout the night, and the use of patrol cars whose lights are purposely beamed into the cells of my clients periodically throughout the night and night after night.
6. The use of walkie talkies by the guards patrolling the exterior of the building during the night, with the ensuing noise and interruption of the sleep of my clients.
7. The refusal of visiting rights to anyone other than relatives or attorneys.

a. Obviously the visits of close friends are easily as important to the prisoner as those of relatives.

b. Potential witnesses or persons able to aid in the preparation of the defense or in arrangements for counsel even though such persons may not be potential witnesses, should be able to see and confer with a prisoner facing trial.

c. Arrangements for representations b, counsel are made difficult if not impossible since visits by attorneys are restricted to lawyers who have entered appearances for defendants, thereby restricting possible exploratory conversations between the client and attorney to determine whether representation should indeed occur.

d. A prisoner should be free to consult with, and be examined and treated by a doctor of her own choice, and not only with a doctor chosen by the institution.

8. The complaints made in paragraph (7) are aggravated by the apparent tradition of permitting the State's Attorney to determine who may or may not visit prisoners in pre-trial detention and under what conditions such visits may be made, a tradition which does not seem to be called for by any of the statutes which I have read in connection with the operation of your institutions. These complaints are further aggravated by the easy access of police officials and FBI agents to the prisoners, apparently at the behest of or at least with the consent of the State's Attorney, whether or not such visits have been requested by the prisoners.
9. The right of the prisoners to communicate by letter should be without censorship and should be unlimited.
10. The right of the prisoners to have access to such books or newspapers as they may desire to read should be unlimited.

a. In this regard, I understand that my client Ericka Huggins was refused the right to have certain books which she had requested.

b. I also understand that she was refused the right to have a newspaper which the authorities said would be "inflammatory".

To hold my clients under these conditions when they are in a pre-trial status makes a mockery of the so-called "presumption of innocence" and negates all of those precious rights supposedly guaranteed to them by our Federal and State Constitutions. It further makes the so-called "correctional system" a partner in the denial of these rights and indeed in the seeming attempt to break the morals and spirit of those unfortunate enough to have fallen within its grasp.

On behalf of my clients, I demand immediate relief from these conditions. I trust as well it may be afforded to any other prisoners held under equally despicable circumstances.

I shall appreciate your immediate attention and response to these matters.

Sincerely yours,

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*SAN FRANCISCO FREE BREAKFAST*

# FEEDING HUNGRY CHILDREN VS. MEN OF THE CLOTH

In the San Francisco Branch of the Black Panther Party, we initiated our first Free Breakfast for School Children Program this school semester, Wednesday, September 3, 1969. Feeding hungry children along with Free Health Clinics and Clothing Drives is a definite necessity in the Black communities of Babylon. We have received information about children in school whose hunger has caused them to pass out in class and kept them from learning. This information was gained from teachers in the public schools in Babylon. It is a proven fact that children when not being fed a proper diet get irritable, sleepy and cannot learn anything taught to them. So by giving them free breakfast this solves most of the problem although some still get one meal a day. The government knows about the hunger and yet they continue to take surveys on hunger. The school systems are hip to hungry kids so they have started a free lunch program, but seldom do children who need it get it, and mothers have hell trying to get their kids on this program.

We have only one location for breakfast due to stubborn and hypocritic priests and preachers in the Black community who refuse to let the children eat in their buildings. In attempting to secure a location for the Free Breakfast Program for Hungry Children we were treated like hoodlums, like gangsters, for feeding hungry kids FREE, by the pastors and priests of some of the churches we attended. The men of the cloth, in fact the holy men of the community closed doors in our faces, called us trespassers, lied to us, denied that there is such a thing as a hungry child and told us hat they plainly didn't want us or the "so-called" hungry kids on their premises. These holy men sanctified in the blood and money of the people, sunk neck deep in hypocrisy and closed their facilities to the hungry children of the community. In speaking to them it sounded as if they were tape recordings of Alioto and his Boy Wonder, Cahill. All we ask is to let us use their holy property for three hours in the morning to feed hungry kids. A newsman asked one time, if we thought this was another form of harassment to the Black Panther Party? It's harassment to the thousands of hungry children in Amerikkka, those hard working mothers and fathers of the Black community who live for their children and yet support financially the sanctified pimps who run these churches.

The many excuses and rhetoric received from these sanctified pimps whose con game (the latest) is starving children, kissing the top of Alioto's head, too many times sprinkled with the holy water of the Mafia, and stealing money from welfare recipients and making them believe it is an offering to God when in fact it is a deposit on next years hypocrisy. But their refusal to serve the community and lend a helping hand to hungry children will not be tolerated, just as Mafioso Alioto and his band of Irish Gangsters manifested in Boy Wonder Cahill, and Henry Williams, that nigger, a Sgt. for SFPD who with his dunce, that Irish Molly McGuire Big Red (Richard Youell) member of tac squad, attacked the Black Panther office in S.F. last April 28, and poisoned the food for the Free Breakfast for School Children Program will not slide past the peoples judgement day. (May I add that the S F P.D., along with Alioto owe the Black panther Party and the hungry children of the community $300.00 in cash or a-s for the food they destroyed.) And I am certain that the children of the Black community will not tolerate anymore of this type of harassment.

For the men of the cloth who refused hungry children and endorsed the deceiving torture and theiving of this fascist colony, can only be termed as prostitutes of Alioto, waiting for more of their virginity to be swept away by corruption. All of these lying misleading, and deceiving prostitutes will be dealt with by those same hungry children they have refused. They are in fact supposed to be servants of the people, but their actions prove to us that they are indeed run by the Mafia, and to the Mafia we say f--k the Mafia, and anyone else that doesn't recognize, the necessity of feeding hungry children.

And I suggest to the Holy men of the Cloth that they try to follow more of the people's examples and relate to concrete examples by the people, other than baptizing Alioto and his band of merry hoods.

THESE ARE SOME OF THE CHURCHES VISITED AND ASKED FOR USE OF FACILITIES THAT NEED ESPECIALLY TO BE EXPOSED TO THE PEOPLE:

St. Agnes Catholic Church---The priest of this church, says that he believes in slipping food to hungry children when they are brought to him, because it's best that his congregation wouldn't think of the children at the Free Breakfast as freeloaders. He says that most of the children who are hungry is due to laziness of mothers and that he doesn't know of any hungry kids in his area. His church is located on Masonic and Page, the Black community, where hungry children are walking past his very church on their way to school, and under no pretense, because there is nothing pretencious about hunger. This church obviously controlled by Alioto is 3 quarters of a city block. Feeding hungry children by slipping food to them sounds surely like slipping away from the issue entirely, and slipping away from reality to ones own chosen starry eyed shelfishness. I'm sure the children of the Black community hope you burn in hell, and that your congregation wakes up to the fact that you are disinterested in them and the community, and most of all hungry children.

First Institutional Friendship Baptist Church

Rev. Evans of this church told us he didn't want to talk to us, that he didn't want us in his building and not to set foot on his property. He was speaking not only to the Black Panther Party, but hungry kids of the community. Last year when asked for his facilities he said he didn't want a bunch of kids messing up his paint job. We thought surely that by 1969, this buffoon would have realized the need of feeding hungry children.

All Saint's Episcopal Church

The Father there not only had a barking dog but told us we couldn't use his building every day in the week. Then I asked what days could we use it and he told me none because of past experience of others using his property who didn't clean up behind themselves and that he didn't have the facilities. But I'm sure that a well equipped kitchen and a dining hall can feed at least 200 children every half an hour, and in 3 hours 600 kids could be fed in his church. His other excuse, one heard too many times is, "I know of no hungry children in this area." His address is 1350 Waller St., again in the Black community. May the men of the Cloth heed to this message: Matthew, Chapter 7 Ver. 9-10. "Or what is there of you, whom if his son asks bread, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks of fish will he give a serpent?"

We have initiated one program at 1642 Ellis Street despite all of these refusals. We know, and the people know that by looking at the conditions that Black people are forced to live in, that it is necessary that this program survives. We serve free hot breakfast to school children every morning from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday every week, so a few men of the Cloth, Alioto and his hooded band cannot stop us from serving the people. We will sit children on the curbs of San Francisco and feed them right out of our office if necessary. We are planning to set up 10 programs alone in San Francisco, and we hope that others we come to for help will not act an a-s. Liberation School has been initiated on Saturdays, from 10:00 a.m. to noon along with free lunch at 1642 Ellis Street also, so send your children to Liberation School every Saturday, and Free Breakfast every school morning. If you can help, please call, 922-0095 at the Black Panther Party office, San Francisco Branch. We need community workers, more children, food and locations.

POWER TO THE YOUTH!
Marsha



## BROWNSVILLE LIBERATION SCHOOL

Full of vigor and vitality, the children of Brownsville come through the door of the Black Panther office (after returning from the capitalist institutions), eager to learn. Their street games after school seem less important to them now. They are more concerned about the revolution and the total Brownsville conditions; the rat infested buildings, the ragged streets, the day to daygarbage on the sidewalks. All the conditions that make up the slums, or the so-called ghetto.

While they are in the bloom of life, it's very important that we educate them to the total situation of this decadent American society; to the oppression of the Nixons, the DuPonts, the Rockefeller and all the American reactionaries. We must help them understand that the total change of this society and their very survival depends on them, for it is they, themselves that make the revolution. We must also help them to understand that the world belongs to them, and that the future of all the oppressed people belongs to them.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
LET'S EDUCATE THE YOUTH
Frankye Adams
Brooklyn Branch
Black Panther Party

## FREE BREAKFAST



The Romona Gardens Housing project and the surrounding area (L.A.) are building unity and power, PEÓPLE'S POWER, in the first Free Breakfast for Children Program, begun by Los Siete de la Raza, L A Chapter, on Monday, September 22, 1969. Breakfast is served from 6:00 to 9:00 am every school day.

All the children take an active part in the breakfast. Some children help with the vitamins, some serve milk, some serve plates, and all the children learn love and respect for one another by seeing how working together for the good of all means a good breakfast and a better understanding of the people and things around us.

We all share at the breakfast. This is how we learn to grow strong together. With strength comes power, for unity is power--the unity of all the children, of all the people!

Our children learn that the land and everything that grows on it and comes from it belongs to the people--to all the people, not just a few individuals. Everything the people need to be happy and strong really belongs to us. Now we must unite and begin to take it back. For example: chickens that lay eggs, cows that give milk, apple orange, and banana trees, these are a few of the things that belong to us. So we begin with the breakfast, by taking back what is ours from the big owners and other rich people that have been cheating us too long.

The first step is the breakfast. But not until all the oppressed people come together can we really take back all that is ours and never let the rich take it away again.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Los Siete de la Raza
Los Angeles Chapter



*FREE FOOD FOR THE PEOPLE*

## YOUNG PATRIOTS

The Young Patriots stand arm-in-arm with our revolutionary brothers in the Black Panther Party and the Young Lords. We relate to the struggle of serving the needs of the people and believe wholeheartedly in putting that struggle into practice. Our food program has politically and practically blown the man's claim of serving the people of Uptown. The people themselves have seen the contradiction between what the pig power structure claims to do and what it really does. The people themselves have acted on their own power to deal with that contradiction.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE



# PAPA DOC AND THE TRUTH ABOUT HAITI TODAY

Haiti is only about three hours from New York by air, but it is debatable whether Haiti is five hundred years behind any one of the West's democracies, or one thousand. And this once richest of all the New World colonies is drifting ever backward under the magalomaniac misguidance of Francois Duvalier, a tyrant known as "Papa Doc". A physician by profession, Duvalier did work hand-in-glove with a team of American medical experts to rid his island of the crippling disease of yaws. Before he assumed Presidency, he did seem the very man his country had been needing for all too long a time. But Duvalier established dominion over Haiti as a very different sort of doctor--a witch doctor.

Trading on the credulity of his people, Papa Doc - Father and Healer of his country's ills - has made himself President for life and virtually invulnerable.

His reign is a terrifying mixture of "voudou" legend and gangster-style brutality. The Golden Rule of his administration: A good Duvalierist stands ready to kill his children, or children to kill their parents.

The story of Papa Doc is tragic but terrifying. Papa Doc sits in his bath wearing his top hat for meditating; the head of his enemy Philogenes stands on his desk; the hearse carrying another enemy's body is stolen by the Tanton Marcoutes at the church door; the writer Alexis is stoned to death.

Haiti is the scene of a classical tragedy. On the orders of the President, Lt. Albert Jerome cut Philogenes' head off and placed it in a pail of ice. Duvalier despatched a special airforce fighter to fetch the head. Why did Duvalier want the head delivered to him at the palace? Weird stories circulated around Port-au-Prince (the capital) which told of Duvalier sitting alone with the head for hours, trying to communicate with it.

Half the revenue of the country is spent on the personal security of Papa Doc. It seems as if the final stage of tyranny, the stage of magalomania marked politically by Papa Doc's "election" as President for Life, has been reached. But the end cannot long be delayed. Classical tragedy demands that the pendulum shall swing when it has reached the furthest point of its arc.

# KARENGA AND THE TRUTH ABOUT "US"

Ronald Everett, a self-styled, up-dated, Southern California version of an aspiring Moishe Tshombe or Papa Doc Duvalier, sits as the head of a non-descript, so-called cultural organization known as U.S. or US. Born in Maryland, Everett - who calls himself Maulana Ron Karenga - migrated to Southern California and attended U.C.L.A. He graduated from the Political Science Graduate School with a Magna Cum Laude status. And, in 1965, after the Watts uprising and just about the time of the outbreak of Poverty Programs in Southern California, he formed this band of sheep.

Everett is a high-voiced, short-statured, eunuch-tupe who tells you that "US" exists to do three things for Black people's culture: "Creation, Recreation, and Circulation.

He'd tell you that Maulana, his so-called title, is a Swahili word for Master Teacher, when, in fact, this word could be translated "Prophet", or "God," The cult of Karenga through these types of doctrines (?) thus attempts to perpetuate madness and confusion in the minds of people, keeping those silly enough to follow him (which is what they do) mesmerized and unable to tackle the real issues that confront Black people.

He is aided in this madness by a network of various known and unknown government pig officials, lackies, and bootlickers: He has had private meetings with Ronald Reagan, pig Governor of California; Tom Reddin, ex-Chief of the Los Angeles Pig Department; and, in close touch regularly with the red-faced, fascist Mayor of Los Angeles, Sam Yorty. His organization has received funds from Bell Telephone Company (the car used to get the assassins of John Huggins and Bunchy Carter away from U.C.L.A. last January 17th was owned by Pacific Telephone Co.). He has received funds from Standard Oil Company (The "US" organization operates about five (5) Standard Gas Stations in the South Central Los Angeles area). He works closely with a nigger, Walter Bremond, former titular head of the now defunct Black Congress of Los Angeles: Bremond obtained the building that housed the Black Congress (7228 S. Broadway) - which is now an "US" cultural center - through a government-backed agency known as the Social Action Training Center, of which he was executive director. He (Bremond) took that position after exploiting the oppressed people of Marin County, California, as the head of a Government Housing Project. Karenga is also a close friend and associate of Dr. Alfred Cannon, a professional Negro bootlicker, who is a member of and has offices at the Neuro-Psychiatric Institute at U.C.L.A., and who along with another bootlicker, Dr. Hiawatha Harris, heads the (L.A.) Central City Community Mental Health Clinic, a federal government-funded agency. He is the Chairman of the Board of the Mafundi Institute, another Government-funded poverty program, centered around so-called culture, and which institute is sponsoring the coming opening of the Watts Cultural Center, located in the heart of the Watts ghetto. (Cannon, along with his ex-girlfriend, Mary Jane Hewitt - head of the section of financial aids office of U.C.L.A. which handles poverty program funds for "under-priviledged" students - supported Karenga openly when he attacked the Black Students at U.C.L.A. just before Jan. 17th. The students had said they wanted to determine the destiny of their programs (i.e. Black Studies Program), and were told by Karenga (Cannon, et. al.) that they were students and couldn't make such decisions, and that as a teacher he could.) Cannon also sits on the Executive Boards of at least six other government-backed poverty programs in the Southern California area.



The purpose being confusion, diversion, and the stifling of the liberation struggle of Black and oppressed people here in Babylon. He is a highly-skilled architect for the Pig Power Structure, and were he allowed to run rampant (his only real opposition being the Black Panther Party) would institute the dictatorship of Karenga Karengaism, madness, cultism, abstract-Americanized Voudouism, neo-colonialism and continued oppression for Black People. This is best expressed in his own words: "We can't give the power to the people, the people don't know what power is yet."

Karenga who demands his followers preface and end everything they say or do with "All praises due to Maulana" is an agent of the oppressor, ruling class. (At the time he attended U.C.L.A. there was open recruitment on that campus of C.I.A. employees, or agents.) His so-called cultural organization is in fact the brainchild of the Pig Power Structure;

## THE NAMES AND THE FACES ARE DIFFERENT BUT THE MADNESS BEING PERPETRATED IS THE SAME

# BOBBY SPEAKS TO SCANDINAVIA

This is Bobby Seale, the Chairman of the Black Panther Party here in America, referred to as "Babylon" by Eldridge Cleaver and Party members.

Since Ray "Masai" Hewitt, the Minister of Education now, and myself left Scandinavia, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, and Finland last March, quite a bit of repression against the Party has come down. Quite a bit of repression against the overall movement here in America has come down on the heads of progressive groups and peoples and organizations who oppose racism in America here, who oppose exploitative capitalism led by the ruling class circles in America, who oppose the numerous atrocities of police brutality and murder.

Numerous forms of repression exist here in America, not because these progressive organizations are hoodlums, or thugs, or criminals, but because the programs of these organizations here in America reflect the basic political desires and needs of the poor, oppressed masses and the laboring masses here in America. The desires and needs are manifested in the attitudes, or they are expressed in the attitudes of the people. They have been expressed in the attitudes of the masses of the people, especially Black Americans, when we look back in history, the last three or four years here, and remember the numerous amounts of rebellions in the Black communities where poor, oppressed Black people live.

The fact that Martin Luther King was murdered by a racist cannot be isolated from the overall struggle. The fact that brother Malcolm X was murdered by some Black racists, and these Black racists were paid off by the ruling class to murder him is not separable from the overall revolutionary struggle here in America. The fact that James Rector was murdered near the campus by a fascist policeman, recently here, is not to be separated from the movement. The fact that there exists, right now, some Brown brothers in this very same jail that I'm in--the Brown brothers known as Los Siete de la Raza (this is a Spanish term that I can't pronounce very well). But they are Latino peoples who are descendants of Latin Ameican peoples who live here in their communities. The fact that they are sitting here in jail, some six of them, erroneously charged with murdering a policeman, is not to be separated from the movement.

I think that, though, for people to grasp a real understanding is that seemingly they're going to have to search harder, as Jorgen our friend from Denmark did, by coming here and living here with the Black Panther Party, around the Black Panther Party members, in our homes and in our offices, and also visiting other organizations such as the Red Guard of Chinese Americans in San Francisco and other progressive student organizations. The fact that he searched out and came here and saw for himself and was in fact arrested in the middle of a courtroom and placed in jail here for a few days and was sentenced to 5 days, simply because upon leaving the court I had given the clinched fist salute (which means power to all the people) and he returned that salute when the sheriffs were taking me back into the jail out of the courtroom. He was arrested along with another Panther Party member, brother Jymbo. And he was placed and confined in these jails for some five days and then returned to court.

He had been here for some three or four months. And I know he had a chance to observe a lot. He had a chance to actually, in fact, observe the repression that's being placed against the Party. He had a chance to feel the need to denounce the atrocious actions of this fascist government and their running dogs, their pigs. And in turn, he's able to return to Denmark, after being deported, and report to the people there at his home and in other Scandanavian countries (and hopefully in many other European countries) --report to them really, in fact, what was taking place in America, what he observed, what he had seen, and what and HOW in fact HE was affected by being here.

The news media, the UPI and Associated Press, international news hook-ups or link-ups, block the truth about what's happening in America. Nixon and his regime (his federal agents, and the CIA, and the rest of their lying, tricking, misleading, slick politicians and dogs) make it a point not to allow the masses of other European peoples (Danish, or what have you) to become aware of what's really going on here in America. They do not want people to become aware that racism is rampant in America. They do not want people to become aware that Black people are suffering and Brown people are suffering. They do not want people to understand that now some 30 million Black people, some 16 or 17 million Chicanos (known as Mexican American people), some 5 1/2 or 6 million Indian Americans, Chinese Americans, Japanese Americans, and other colored peoples--they do not want the people to be aware that the government itself (on the federal level, on the state level, and on the local city and county levels) perpetrates and maintains racism in America.

Many accuse the Black Panther Party of being Black racists. But I'm quite sure that the Scandanavian peoples are much more aware and more intelligent than that, especially when Ray "Masai" Hewitt and myself, representing the Party, came and gave a number of speaking engagements throughout Scandanavia; and some press reports were given. And we explained that the Black Panther Party is not a racist organization, that we do not practice racism, that we oppose racism wholly, thoroughly, resolutely, and completely, simply because after 400 years of oppression, the system of slavery, and then so-called being "emancipated" from that era, and 100 years later Black people have still suffered under racism. Black people suffer under racism in the form of being oppressed and being poor, where 50% of the people are unemployed, where there is no free medicine in the Black communities, where 70, 80, and 90% of the policemen have been doubled, tripled, and quadrupled in the last three or four years in every major city wherever Black people live. These policemen actually occupy our communities in the same manner that American G.I.'s are sent to occupy or attempt to occupy Vietnam.

These forms of oppression that we oppose or have been opposing for years are being made clearer everyday to the people. And MOST important, what's being made clear everyday to the people (and not only Black people, but even progressive white peoples and students, etc.) are being made clear to them in the manner that the Party has been going about to get rid of the ruling class circles, the demagogic politicians, the avaricious businessman, and the running dogs (the fascist pig cops), the true enemies of all the people in America who maintain and perpetuate racism.

Looking at the repression, and knowing it, and understanding it, and suffering from it, we become political prisoners when we teach the people the correct and strategic methods by which to combat the very oppression that we suffer under. When the Black Panther Party teaches Black people that we will not fight racism with any more racism, but we'll fight it with some solidarity, and Black people begin to see positive steps being made on the part of other peoples besides themselves to oppose the fascist ruling class in America, then the fascist ruling class, in turn, sends down the brutal cops armed with machine guns, .357 magnums, which is a very powerful weapon (one of those weapons could kill 10 people lined up together), armed with riot shotguns, magnum shotguns, mind you. They send them down to surround our buildings and our offices, attack our offices and attack members of the Black Panther Party, arrest us, and make political prisoners. They send in agents amongst our ranks, who are Black, working for the fascists, to get up and lie, to be bought out, and to tell gross falsities against the Party to try ultimately and wholly to suppress the idea of the Black Panther Party, the idea not of just the Black Panther Party, but the idea of the people. And that idea is manifested in their basic desire to be free of exploitation and oppression.

Wherever a people move against one who has made a spear to fight-ing the people, and these people begin to move without fear because they've developed a shield, then the fascists will take those spears to knock out the leaders of the rank and file of the people. The fascists do not want an idea to become a reality, an idea of the people to be free from oppression, to become a reality. Because that would be the end of the ruling class circles; that would be the end of the demagogic politicians and the avaricious businessmen.



*BOBBY SEALE*

In fact, in America, when colored peoples and other poor, oppressed peoples (white, blue, black, green, yellow, polkadot, or what have you), when they become free, with dignity as human beings, with the idea of living in a society where mankind is developed to a level where exploitation of man by man, where murder of man by man, where antagonistic contradictions in any society begin to cease, then we will know then that there exists what is known as "proletarian power," peoples' power, workers' power, a proletarian democracy, whereas long as the capitalistic ruling class are able to maintain exploitative capitalistic democracy for a small minority few, the ruling class, then we, the masses of the people who want government of the people, by the people, and for the people (and that simply means power to the people)--we the masses will continue to struggle to make those ideas of freedom, justice, and equality a real reality here in America.

Huey P. Newton, when he started the Black Panther Party, along with the Ten Point Platform and Program I remember him making a statement that, "Every human being on the face of the earth has a right to live; therefore he has a right to work, because he must be able to work to live." That made more sense to me than any slogan or form or statement that any demagogic, lying politician had made throughout the past years or words that I heard of or ideas that I heard of throughout the period of time when I went to school and read the books that spout off notions of what freedom is all about--vague, wordy, verbose notions.

But freedom means more than just some words that sound beautiful. Number 10 of the Ten Point Platform and Program of the Black Panther Party states basically that we want land, we want bread, we want housing, we want education, we want clothing, we want justice, and we want peace. It states that and the objective of the Black Panther Party is to teach the people the strategic methods of resisting the power structure so that we can make that a reality, make those basic desires and needs a reality.

In the process of teaching the people, educating the people, we've had to take a stand that we would defend ourselves. After Malcolm X had been murdered, after Medger Evers had been murdered by racists, with Martin Luther King being murdered since the Black Panther Party's been organized, after all the atrocious forms of brutality, we realize from the past experience of atrocities against people in movements and organizations who've been literally beaten and brutalized and murdered by the racists and fascists in this country, we realized that it was necessary for us to defend ourselves. That experience was babies in Birmingham in a church, praying, being bombed. That experience was young Black men and civil rights workers, Black and White, down South trying to change the overt racism there who were actually murdered.

And not only defend ourselves physically, but the concept was broader than just defense. The concept was the people. We the masses have to defend ourselves against the very oppression that we suffer: the hunger, the lack of decent housing fit for shelter of human beings; defending ourselves against the gross unemployment that we're subjected to; defending ourselves against the miseducation that we received in the schools, the racist education; defending ourselves against the injustices of the courts here in America; defending ourselves against all of these things.

And such an organization, a political organization as the Black Panther Party, went forth to teach the people the need to organize and amass in the communities and to protest and use their basic democratic rights. We didn't pick up guns illegally; we picked up guns legally, by the Constitution of the United States (the second amendment that states that every person has the right to bear arms) and no malitia or force can infringe. You're not allowed to infringe upon that right. And we do not attack anyone. We only picked the weapons up because there were so many cases of brutality and murder of Black people throughout the history of our existence here in America. If I had a book in here at the time, I could sit down easily and do research and tally up all the murders in the last year. And I'd be willing to bet that those murders in the last year on the part of racists against Black people in America would tally up well over a thousand throughout the country in the Black communities, just of Black people. And that's not to say that Mexican Americans or Chicano people don't suffer. They do suffer in the same manner.

The Black Panther Party's offices, since we've come back from Scandinavia, of the 39 chapters that we now have, practically every last one of them have been raided and/or attacked two, three, or four times by police forces in particular cities and communities wherever a Black Panther Party office is. Black Panther Party members have somewhere in the area of between 215 and 250 cases right now, ranging anywhere from the right to sell a newspaper (being arrested from just selling a newspaper) to trumped up charges of murder. We've been attacked and we've done our best to defend. And we not only defend in the matter of fact that we have to use weapons sometimes when we are attacked unjustly by fascist pigs and other racists. But we defend ourselves by educating and giving the truth to the people, to the masses of the people, not only here in America but around the world.

The press, UPI, and Nixon--- When I was speaking and during the tour of Scandanavia and speaking there, I came back home and found out that every statement that we'd made representing the Party, representing the real situation here in America and the movement and the struggle here in America, that every bit of it had been blocked by UPI (United Press International) and AP (Associated Press)., and it did not reach the people back here. And only when I had returned here did they print the statement that we had constantly made that we had known for a fact was the situation, and that statement was, "Black capitalism breeds more Black racism." That was Nixon's program, and he did not want you, the people of Scandinavia, to be aware of the fact that he, as a member of the ruling class circles of this country, was perpetuating a capitalist system; and capitalism is intertwined with racism and that in fact is perpetuating racism even amongst Blacks. The Blacks, of course, have become aware that the Black Panther Party's newspaper is being circulated throughout the country. They become aware that capitalism, Black capitalism, is not going to do us any good, that we're only maintaining an exploitative system with a very small few, less than 1% Black capitalists, continuing the very exploitation that we've suffered from slavery to now.

Huey P. Newton, our Minister of Defense and founder of the Black Panther Party, is still a political prisoner. Charles Bursey and Cleveland Brooks have just been recently made political prisoners within the last three or four weeks here in California. The Connecticut Panther leadership are also on the same trumped up charges that I am on now. There are political prisoners, including Landon Williams and Rory, who are being held in Denver, Colorado now.

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## CONNIE MATTHEWS AT SAN JOSE STATE

# ON THE VIETNAM MORATORIUM

POWER TO THE PEOPLE. I have listened to all the speeches that have gone on before me.. I have been reading the newspapers, reading the stuff that the so-called radical groups have been putting out and you are talking about the atrocities in Vietnam, you are talking about repression in the United States. I wonder whether you people really do understand what's going on. I have to ask myself this question because in 1967 there was a World Tribunal which was held in Roskilde in Denmark and there the world condemned the United States for the atrocities committed in Vietnam and found her guilty of war crimes and the United States said - Later for the World, because we rule the World. It was announced on the news that there would be demonstrations tomorrow against the war and Nixon said this morning that it makes no difference to his strategy in Vietnam.



*CONNIE MATTHEWS*

Now, I am not trying to negate or to diminish the efforts that you are making in holding these demonstrations. What I am trying to say to you is that the time has come when we have to move in another direction. We have to understand that by peaceful demonstrations, by trying to negotiate, that we are not going to get anywhere. We have to understand that the struggle at this moment is a world struggle, it's a world proletarian struggle; two things - the oppressed versus the oppressor. You have to understand that we must stop talking in terms of countries, we have to talk about internationalism because the United States has now gone to the moon, they will go to Mars, they will go to Venus next, so that it is not just a question anymore of the planet earth. And you want to take a trip around the world and visit some of the countries I have visited to see what American imperialism has done. Eldridge Cleaver, our Minister of Information, in his last article from exile, which is in the last issue of our newspaper (there are some copies here) has stated that the oppression in the United States, and the way that people live in ghettos here is as if you have been placed in silk sheets compared to what American imperialism has done in the other countries of the world.

Now whenever the Vietnamese fight, and they are fighting, and they have won the war, they are fighting for you here. You have to understand this and I use Chairman Bobby Seale's statement - We are in the belly of the whale here - but you have to do your thing because you are helping to enslave those millions of people in Asia, Africa and Latin America, because you are covertly condoning what the administration is doing. Because power must belong to the people. You are responsible for that administration being in power and just demonstrating and marching and saying - We don't dig this - won't do any good to anyone.

Now, you know the Black Panther Party started off and we said that we understood that this thing was a class struggle. We understood that there are Black people who are pigs and we understood that there are White people who are pigs. What we are trying to say is that we want a United Front of all ethnic oppressed groups, regardless of race, color, creed or what have you, because the ultimate aim is to overthrow this establishment. Sartre said that Europe the dying mother of capitalism gave birth to a monster, imperialism, and this is the United States of America.

You have to understand that what the Black Panther Party is doing is for you and for the rest of the world. Now you have to rally behind the Black Panther Party and to support the Black Panther Party. It's o.k. when a bunch of niggers get out on the streets and say we hate all White people. Nixon endorses this, Nixon endorses Black capitalism, because he knows that what he is going to do is to get a few so-called elite Black people and create yet another division and this is why I am glad I am talking to a group of students and the thing that I notice is that there are over 400 Black students here at San Jose State and that none of these students thought that the war in Vietnam has anything to do with them or else they would be in this goddamned room. And they should understand that those Vietnamese are fighting and dying for them. Now, to get back to the point, Nixon believes that by brainwashing you students, because you are the ones who are going out tomorrow to continue what Nixon has brainwashed you into believing everything is o.k. You have got to get hip to this thing, because you are the ones who are going to be the leaders and the establishment tomorrow, you are going to be the bank managers, members of the administration and all the rest of it and you have got to get hip to the fact that you cannot allow this thing to continue. You have got to get hip to the fact that what the Black Panther Party wants is to take the wealth from out of the hands of the few, and it is only controlled by about 250 people who run the world. This seems absurd, but there are only about 250 to 300 big capitalists in this country. They are the ones who put who they want in power, they are the ones who control and rule the world and say what should be done in this country and for that matter the world. Now the future rests with you people who are here today.

You can see what has been going on in Chicago and I can tell you that the so-called mother country radicals have been a disappointment. I was in Court there and they don't take this thing seriously. They do not understand that the trial in Chicago, the outcome, will set the precedence in the United States as to whether the people have any freedom or not. They seem to think this is all a big joke, with Abbie Hoffman doing sommersaults in Court and all that kind of bulls--t. Now, I am saying you have had what is known as group freedom and you are trying to find individual freedom. We are all one people, this is all one country, in fact in the whole world we are all one people, so until everyone has known what group freedom is you are not going to be able to exist in your hippie and yippie societies with individual freedom. And I am saying that over the last six months Nixon has launched a massive repression against the Black Panther Party that is unheard of. When I have spoken in other countries, like Scandinavia, France, Germany or even England, people find it hard to believe that America, and people like you can sit here and watch this sort of thing happening and you do nothing about it. Chairman Bobby Seale, at the beginning of his trial in Chicago was sick, and he wasn't allowed to have a doctor, he has no lawyer, he has no rights he is unable to defend himself, because Charles Garry, his lawyer, is lying on his back in the hospital right here in California, and because he is a Black man it doesn't matter. He shouldn't have anyone to defend him. I am now saying to you here, that I do not think you are trying hard enough, I don't think you understand fully what's going on. I think you need to get out of your bag and your safe complacency in these colleges. I think you need to go and work in those communities, but before you go into the communities and propagate the wrong ideology, arm yourselves with the right ideology, understand what the struggle is about. It is the oppressed against the oppressor. You middle-class people, because I do not believe that any of you here are capitalists, there are only about 300, you are definitely in a vacuum and you are going to have to take sides at some stage or other and make sure that you take the right side, because if you don't you are not going to have any place to go, because the people must win.

The Vietnamese are a good example of the people being victorious. Because with all of America's technology and her greatness she has been unable to defeat the Vietnamese. Every man, woman and child has resisted. You want to see what is going on in Vietnam. All the men have had to go to the front and you should see how those women and children safeguard their villages. It is probably very difficult for you in the middle of all this to see it clearly, but this is why you have the greatest responsibility. The people who understand what is wrong, because it has to come from within as well as from outside.

We have a petition for community control of police, and those of you who are not familiar with it, get yourself familiar with it, because this is one of the ways in which we are trying to get the power back into the hands of the people. Here on your colleges you have these demonstrations and you go about saying that you don't want this and you don't want that, and you want this and you want that, and then you sit down and you say you have won. You haven't won anything because you must realize that the people who control the colleges are the same people who were put there because they have power in the communities. So your job is in the communities. The two things are tied up together. Don't try to put them in compartments. I think the time has come for all you young people here in the United States to take a look at yourselves. Look inside first. Try and grasp what the Black Panther Party is trying to do, try and understand how many lives we have lost, because we are trying to educate you. We are the Vanguard because of 400 years, of sweat, blood toil and tears. But we are not going to start the revolution, it's when you people are educated fully that this thing is going to have to happen, and I am trying to say that if you sit by in this complacency you know what will happen? - This so-called United States of America was built up at the expense of genocide of 50 million Indians and you people have romanticized it and called it "Cowboys and Indians". Think about that s--t. Six million Jews were murdered and people sat by and didn't believe it was happening. You sit by now and understand that this is happening right here, and that the power is in your hands, because you are the people so this country belongs to you, so you are the ones who are going to have to stop it and you are going to have to stop it not just by concentrating on one aspect but all facets of what's going on. What I am trying to say is, educate yourselves, in turn educate your people, the people in the communities. Whenever you go out you talk about it. You talk about the whole thing, the reason why they divided us up into ethnic groups, into races, because as Fanon has said - capitalism and racism - one is cause and the other effect. They did not bring Black people over from Africa as slaves because we were Black. They brought Black people over so capitalism could thrive. When capitalism reached its highest form - imperialism - they had to define methods to keep the divisions.

The United States is advancing so rapidly technologically, that most of you will become redundant, you will have no jobs and in fact nothing. The dollar at present is worth only about 75 cents, and all you people here who live on credit cards, watch it. They have you hoodwinked. If you have been watching the stock market and the world monetary fund system, they have told you that the German mark is floating. There are no changes. While the German mark is floating the dollar has decreased and watch - over the next six months or so what will happen. You are the ones who are going to feel it most. Not the poor oppressed people, because they have nothing anyway. But you in the middle, who think you have something, who have those bills and those $20,000 houses, you are the ones who are going to find out that the mortgage or interest or whatever it is that you are going to have to pay back is about twice what you thought originally. Get yourself hip to all this, do some research, you are the students, get with it and educate your people because the Black Panther Party is out there in the front, but we can't stay out there in the front forever. We will stay until everyone of us is killed or imprisoned by these racist pigs, but then someone will have to take over. So don't let us all die in vain.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE

# CHAIRMAN BOBBY SPEAKS TO SCANDINAVIA

*CONTINUED FROM PG. 10*

This whole scheming operation (with very skimpy information now--and we're investigating now as hard as we can--of the recent bust and the recent attack of erroneously charging myself and other Party members with some so-called murder) is part and parcel of a plot by the U.S. government, along with local authorities and state-wide authorities in California and in Connecticut, to try and rid themselves of the Black Panther Party, to try and rid themselves, really in fact, of the ideas that the people are taking hold of: the idea to have land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice, and peace.

That's an idea now; it's not a reality with the masses of the people. Some 60 to 70 million people live below subsistence in America. They know it and we know it. And it's high time that the Scandinavian peoples and other Eurppean peoples become aware of it and know it. The American embassies sit in your countries giving you jive notions of their being some so-called "freedom" here in America. There has NEVER been any freedom in America for Black people. There has NEVER been any freedom in America for Brown people. There has NEVER been any freedom in America for American Indians. There has NEVER been any freedom in America even for poor, oppressed white people, living below subsistence. The ruling class is exploitive. I've heard about high taxes in your country, too. But there are taxes here that are used by the fascist, pig power structure that are taken up and put in the pockets of avaricious businessmen who build war materials to create war around the country to get rid of that surplus, that surplus of raw materials.

We could go on and on and on. But it's high time that the people of the world unite. It's high time that the people of the world make a reality of what the Black Panther Party tried to put forth when we were there last March, when we in fact stated (and we have always practiced) the following: that we will not fight racism with more racism; we'll fight racism with solidarity. We'll fight capitalism and Black capitalism with some socialism; and we'll fight imperialism, with some proletarian internationalism. And we'll fight imperialism, right here in America, with the same.

Domestic imperialism, meaning fascism, has made its appearance here in America. No, there aren't 6 million of us going to the gas chambers, YET. But there are millions of us in prisons. But why should we wait 'till 6 million go to the gas chamber or 20 million go to the gas chamber, or fifty million go to the gas chamber? Why should we wait? We say that we should end it now, because the police forces have been doubled, tripled, and quadrupled throughout America. The running dogs of the fascist pig power structure will tend to commit genocide against the poor, oppressed masses of the people in America. And we can't stand for it because our idea is to be free from oppression that we've been subjected to for hundreds of years by the fascist ruling class of America.

We say, free Huey, free all political prisoners, and free the people.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE
BOBBY SEALE

# SOLIDARITY OF THE PEOPLES UNTIL VICTORY OR DEATH!









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### Black Panther Party U.S.A.

Address of the Black Panther Party, U.S.A To the International Conference on Tasks of Journalists of the Whole World in Their Fight Against U.S. Imperialist Aggression.
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Greetings, Comrades!

We are deeply honoured to have been invited to participate in this historic conference on the Tasks of Journalists of the Whole World in their Fight against U.S Imperialist Aggression.

Also, we think that it is fitting for the first such conference to be held on the sacred soil of the Korean people because it was here that U.S imperialist aggression bit the dust and received a resounding rebuff and defeat on the field of battle. We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation to the valiant Korean people for making us welcome and making our stay here so pleasant and fulfilling. This is truly a memorable occasion and an inspiration that has bolstered our spirits, educated us in what it is possible for the people to achieve once they are free from exploitation and oppression. We applaude the magnificent gains in socialist construction made by the people of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea guided by the Workers' Party of Korea, under the genius and wisdom of the great leader of the 40 million Korean people, Comrade Kim Il Sung.

We have a special greeting and message to the fighting Vietnamese people from the progressive anti-war forces inside the United States: that the diabolical war of genocidal aggression waged by U.S. imperialism shall be stopped and shall end in a glorious victory for your people and an ignominious defeat for the savage warmongers who are conducting it.

In the 20th Century, a large portion of humanity has liberated itself from oppression and struck out on the new road of socialist construction that leads to communism, the age old dream of humanity brought down to earth.

Starting with the great October Revolution that led to the founding of the Soviet Union, a revolutionary tidal wave has been sweeping around the world, placing power in the hands of the people in such places as the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the People's Republic of China, the eastern European socialist countries, the Republic of Cuba, and in many countries around the world the people are on the verge of achieving revolutionary state power.

However, the surviving portions of the anachronistic capitalist system have not crawled into the grave. On the contrary, they have done everything they could in order to bind up their wounds and limp into the future, bloodstained, dripping with human gore. Determined to survive, the system of oppression has answered the determination of the peoples to be free with bloodbaths and drownings in lakes of fire.

True to the beastly nature and the dog-eat-dog ethic of their system, the capitalists of various countries historically have devoured each other along with the peoples, until today the capitalists of the United States of America occupy the throne in the center of the butcher shop which passes for their world.

In our era of class war and revolution against capitalism, racism, imperialism, colonialism, and neo-colonialism, we are able to zero in on the very geographical location of the hiding places of the enemy. Standing dead-center on the bulls eye, we find the United States of America--U.S. fascism and imperialism--to be the No. 1 enemy of all humanity, the arsenal and banker of exploitation and oppression, and chief purveyor of death and destruction all over the planet earth.

We think that Comrade Kim Il Sung, the Liberator and Leader of the 40 million heroic Korean people, has aptly described U.S imperialism in the following words:

U.S imperialism is the most barbarous and most shameless aggressor of modern times and the chieftain of world imperialism... No place on earth is clear of the tentacles of aggression stretched out by U.S. imperialism and no country is free from the menace of U.S. imperialist aggression. U.S imperialism extends its talons of aggression to all parts and all countries of the world--Asia and Europe, Africa and Latin America and big and small countries.

The U.S. fascist imperialists seek to justify their aggression with a smokescreen of spreading Democracy throughout the world and helping to defend democratic elements within various countries that are supposedly being threatened by external enemies. Behind the facade of lending assistance to democratic governments against the aggression and threat of "The Communist Menace," the U.S imperialist aggressors are, in fact, spreading death and destruction all over the world, creating, arming, financing, and propping up the most brutal, fascistic, anti-democratic dictatorships the world has ever seen.

The perfidious nature of this deceitfully hypocritical policy of U.S. imperialism is thoroughly exposed by the situation of suffering of the American people themselves. 30 million colonized black people inside the United States have no rights and have been struggling under the yoke for 400 years and have never known a shred of that democracy which U.S. imperialism seeks to impose upon the world with bullets and bayonets. Millions of poor white people, progressive students, Mexican-Americans, Puerto Ricans, Eskimos, Indians, Chinese-Americans, and other progressive elements cry out against the criminally fraudulent claims of the rotten U.S economic, political, and social system.

The United States of America is not a democratic country. It is a cruel fascist country. It is a democracy for the bloodsucking capitalist vultures and the bloodletting warmongers who control the U.S. government and benefit from its barbaric policies. It is a prison for everyone else and president Nixon is nothing but the Warden of the prison. Indeed, U.S. imperialism seeks to turn the entire world into a huge prison under its bloody thumb and under the boots of its troops and puppets. The people of the world must unite and stage a massive, universal prison break against U.S imperialism.

One of the greatest dangers faced by the world is that many people are not able to recognize fascism when they see it unless it wears Hitler's swastika or Mussolini's bald head. We feel that this is a grievous mistake that must be vigorously combatted, because fascism is the type of reptile that always takes on a local coloring. The American flag and the American Eagle are the true symbols of fascism, and they should elicit from the people the same outraged repugnance elicited by the swastika of nazi Germany and the flag of the rising sun of the Japanese imperialists.

One of the slogans of the revolutionary movement inside the United States is REVOLUTION IN OUR LIFETIME! It may be heard, in fact, for the people around the world who suffer so bitterly from the oppression of U.S imperialism to realize that there is a revolutionary movement inside the United States. But it is necessary for them to understand this because a revolution inside the United States is a decisive factor in the triumph of world revolution and the liberation of all the peoples of the world. The apologists and propagandists for U.S imperialism seek to belittle the peoples' movement inside the United States but it is a mistake for the revolutionary people of the world to fall into this same trap. The truth is that there is a sound revolutionary movement inside the United States that has already tasted the blood of the hated class enemy and is delivering deathblows to its system and is locked irretrievably in a battle to the death against the U.S. fascist imperialist regime.

The revolutionary forces inside the United States must be supported by the revolutionary peoples of the whole world, because whereas the peoples outside of the United States will slice off the tentacles of the tedious octopus of U.S oppression, the revolutionaries inside the United States will cut its wicked heart and give the decisive death blow to U.S fascism and imperialism.

The revolutionary forces inside the United States ardently desire the closest possible working relationship with our comrades around the world so that together we can program the destruction of the enemy.

We fully agree with the theme of this conference, that the task before us is the total annihilation of imperialism, particularly U.S imperialism, because for us this will mean the victory of socialism and the end to the fascist state under which we now suffer.

Comrade Kim Il Sung, in the great tradition of grand strategists, in the forefront of the struggle for the liberation of all humanity, has put forth the correct tactical line for the universal destruction of fascism and imperialism in our time, particularly U.S imperialism.

We know also that our enemy cannot be fought only in the streets of Babylon, for he is international by nature. We therefore join hands with the revolutionary peoples of the whole world in our joint international struggle to defeat U.S. imperialism.

The Black Panther Party opposes all groups, organizations, and governments that support or fail to condemn U.S imperialist aggression and support and resolutely stand with all groups, organizations, and governments that condemn and oppose U.S. imperialist aggression.

Because U.S imperialism aggresses in the name of the silent masses, murders in the name of those who do not shout out in condemnation, and stands before the world drunken with the blood of its victims in the name of those who fail to make a clear and visible line of demarcation between themselves and this dreadful enemy, they through their invisible position instigate and abet U.S. fascism and imperialist aggression.

It is time for the revolution to explode inside the imperialist nations themselves. We must tear down the borders of the imperialist nations and destroy the mechanisms of their movement inside their very houses themselves. This will be done by the stepping up of revolutionary activity inside of the imperialist nations--particularly inside the United States of America.

When the slaves of imperialism who live inside of the house of imperialism pick up guns against the imperialists to make common cause with the revolutionary peoples of the whole world, we know that the days of the imperialists are numbered!

Since the U.S. imperialists are always so pleased to send United Nations troops into other people's land, we see no reason why they should object to the Black Panther Party calling for United Nations troops and Observer Teams to be stationed inside the United States to halt the aggression of the troops of their ruling class against black people and other oppressed people and halt the persecution and murder of the oppressed peoples and their leaders.

The U.S imperialists are fond of using nuclear weapons to threaten and intimidate the revolutionary peoples and the liberation movements. But we declare that the nuclear weapons of the United States are null and void because if they use them at all they will have to drop them on their own cities of New York, Washington, D.C., Chicago, Detroit, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and many other cities.

The American people themselves are rising up to destroy the U.S fascist imperialist system.

We stand for the evacuation of all Yankee imperialist troops from the many areas of the world where they store their muderous weapons and machines of war with which they seek to dominate the peoples of the world in their self-appointed role of Superman and Police Man of the world.

The troops of U.S imperialism must be driven out of Vietnam and the U.S imperialists must make restitution for the material destruction they have criminally perpetrated against the sovereign people of Vietnam. And the U.S imperialists must pay a blood-debt before a revolutionary tribunal for the vicious, sadistic, cruel, and inhuman slaughter of the Vietnamese people.

The U.S imperialist aggressors must withdraw their troops from the sacred soil of the Korean people or be driven into the sea by the fire and wrath of the people. The Korean people must be left absolutely alone to unify their country on the basis which seems best suited to them for their peace, prosperity, and happiness. The Korean people have clearly stated, through their heroic leader Kim Il Sung, that the unification of their Fatherland is the number one priority on their list. Therefore the U.S. imperialists must get out of South Korea immediately so that this industrious people can get on with the more worthier task of socialist construction of their country.

The U.S imperialist invaders must evacuate Guantanamo Bay and leave the revolutionary people of Cuba alone. The tyrannical and rapacious blockade mounted by the power-drunk and cowardly businessmen of the United States, must be smashed. Cuba, the first outpost of freedom in the Western Hemisphere, whose heroic people have stood firm under the threat of U.S imperialist aggression; who have met U.S imperialist puppet aggression on the shores of Playa Giron and defeated it in 72 hours. Cuba, whose sons and daughters have left their homes, their jobs and schools and have moved to the cane fields of Cuba to resolutely fight against the criminal economic blockade imposed against the people of Cuba by U.S. imperialism.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must cease their role of merchants of death and destruction who are guilty of financing and arming and protecting the arrogant, nazi-like, Zionist landgrabbers who have usurped and plundered the Fatherland of the Palestinian people.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must be routed and expropriated throughout the continents of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Their support of the fascist government of Portugal in its fascist oppression of the people of Angola, Bissau, and Mozambique must be overthrown. Their support of the racist settler regimes of Southern Rhodesia and South Africa must be stopped. And their support for the boot-licking puppet regimes that open up their countries for neo-colonial rape, must be defeated.

The vampire's kiss of death which the U.S. imperialists have placed on the economies and governments and peoples of Latin America must be decisively repudiated and the Latin American people must be left alone to follow the path to the future being blazed for them by Socialist Cuba, out of the swamps of stagnation, humiliation, and suffering into the sunshine of prosperity and peace and true independence.

The U.S. imperialist aggressors must be forced to abandon their hopeless and desperate schemes and maneuvers to control and dominate the people of Laos, Cambodia and every other inch of earth that they have stolen.

The degenerate and brazen policy of rearming and pushing forward the Japanese and West German militarists must be thoroughly exposed and confronted and halted.

The so-called President of the United States, Richard PIG Nixon, is the spokesman and frontman for U.S fascism and the arch-enemy of oppressed black people, poor white people, Mexican-American people, Indians, Puerto Ricans, and Eskimoes inside the United States. We want the people around the world to throw rocks, and bottles, and spit, and hand-grenades, and bullets, and bombs, and curses at Nixon if he dares to visit their country. If the oppressed people of Latin America could spit in Richard Nixon's ugly face when he was Vice President of U.S. fascism and imperialism, we do not approve of socialists in Roumania kissing him now that he is president of U.S fascism and imperialism--unless Roumanian kisses are equal to Latin American spit.

Imperialism is robbery and murder. The halting of imperialism is nothing more than the halting of the robbery and murder that is taking place. The United States of America does not have the right to be the imperialist. The people of the world who suffer from imperialism, from this robbery and murder, have a just right to destroy it.

Imperialism is a policy of the American ruling class. The policy of a ruling class can be changed or smashed. You can force a change in the policy of a ruling class even though that class may continue to exist. This happened in many cases after the bourgeoisie seized power from the feudal classes. The feudal classes continued to exist as a most reactionary force, but they were deprived of the power to pursue their policy of feudal exploitation and oppression. We believe that it is the historical task of the American working class and the oppressed peoples in America to overthrow the American ruling class. But it is the historical task of all the peoples of the world who are the victims of U.S. imperialism to destroy U.S imperialism and its aggression.

We do not believe in Peaceful Coexistence with imperialism and fascism, because we believe that it is necessary to hunt the monster down, drive it into a corner, and annihilate it. Imperialism and fascism are the cause of the suffering of the people. By its very nature, imperialism inflicts suffering upon the people by its very existence. We want to put an end to the suffering of the people, and therefore we must put an end to imperialism.

How can the Korean people in the North Coexist peacefully with U.S. imperialism in the South? It is impossible! Neither can North Vietnam Coexist peacefully with U.S imperialism in the South. Oppressed people cannot Coexist peacefully with their oppressor.

We believe that the war against imperialism must be spread throughout the world as far as possible in order to disperse the forces of imperialism as widely as possible. The white supremacist imperialists in Washington do not believe in Peaceful Coexistence. Peace to them is only an interlude during which to prepare for war.

Coming from inside the United States itself, we know with absolute certainty that the U.S imperialists are feverishly preparing for continued oppression and all-out war against the people of Asia, Africa and Latin America, but especially the peoples of Asia whom they regard insanely as the Number One threat to their continued control and domination of the peoples of Asia, Africa, and Latin America. We cannot rejoice over an imperialist imposed stalemate in Europe and call it peace, while the revolution has yet to be made in many parts of Europe and while Asia, Africa, and Latin America are being drenched in blood!

We declare our belief that just as the war in Vietnam, which the U.S imperialists have criminally unleashed, saw the turning point revolutionary violence by black people and other oppressed people within the United States, so the outbreak of a new war in Korea, either unleashed or participated in by the murderous troops of the U.S. imperialist aggressors, will be accompanied by an escalation of the revolutionary class violence by the oppressed people within the very heart of the United States. And we, here and now pledge ourselves to work diligently to expand the already open front of the peoples war in the streets of Babylon.

We join with the delegates of this conference in bringing forth to the entire world the hideous schemes of U.S. imperialism against the Korean people both North and South of the illegal demarcation line. Let us lift up our pens, our voices, and our guns, with all our revolutionary fervor to defeat the freaks of mankind who hatch such dismal schemes and strive diligently to put an end, once and forever, to the monster of U.S. imperialism.

Let us never forget that U.S. imperialism, racist to its rotten core, has always reserved its unrestrained savagery for the Asiatic peoples whom it both fears and despises.

We would like to say, that the task of the journalist can be stated in a very few words: to spread the truth, by exposing the system of capitalist exploitation, fascist repression, and imperialist aggression; to defend the gains of the revolution and the wars of national liberation; to defend revolutionaries who get captured by the enemy, such as the leader of our Party, Huey P. Newton, who languishes in a fascist prison on trumped up charges; and the Chairman of our Party, Bobby Seale, who faces death in the electric chair if convicted on a charge of murder brought against him by the fascists in a desperate attempt to destroy the leadership of the Black Panther Party; and other members of our Party, too numerous to mention, who are being picked up and held in Preventive Detention or on trumped up charges. To attack the enemy with every turn of a phrase, and to either give meaning to the old saying that the pen is mightier than the sword, or else throw down the pen and pick up the sword.

We need articles, essays, poems, and books that will make men pick up guns and enter onto the field of battle against the enemy; we need words that will make the soldiers, sailors, marines and special forces of the U.S. imperialists turn their guns against their commanding officers; words that will persuade them to evacuate South Korea, Vietnam, all the bases of U.S imperialist aggression around the world; we need words that will return the U.S. troops to the United States with their guns still in hand, there to put before firing squads President Nixon, ex-President Johnson, all the generals of the U.S Armed Forces, all warmongers and exploiters.

We need articles by journalists that will inflame the masses, that will spur on the revolutionary temptation to kidnap American ambassadors, hijack American airplanes, blow up American pipelines and buildings, and to shoot anyone who uses guns or weapons or causes others, directly or indirectly to use guns and other weapons in the blood-stained service of imperialism against the people.

I think that perhaps this conference may appreciate a reminder, that in our fight against U.S fascism and imperialism, not only is it necessary to expose the many facts of the contradictions between us and the enemy, it is also our sacred duty to expose the guts of the contradictions within our own camp. Armchair revolutionaries who deceive the people, socialist countries that are long on theory and short on practice, must also come under the scalpels of our pens, and we must never equivocate in the face of this sacred duty no matter what the price or consequences.

Better to remain silent than to utter half-truths or irrelevant generalities which leave loopholes for those to escape who rightfully should be condemned for dereliction of duty by those who are still waging life or death struggles for the liberation and security of their people!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!
LOS 10 MILLIONES VAN!
SOLIDARITY OF THE PEOPLES UNTIL VICTORY OR DEATH!
AND A SPEEDY DEATH TO U.S IMPERIALISM AND FASCISM!

# Pyongyang Declaration

## of the Journalists of the Whole World in Their Fight against the Aggression of U.S. Imperialism

The International Conference on the Tasks of Journalists of the Whole World in Their Fight against the Aggression of U.S. Imperialism was held in Pyongyang, the capital of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, from the 18th to the 24th of September 1969.

The Conference has been attended by the members of 114 delegations from 90 countries of the five continents of the world, and representatives of 13 international democratic organizations, 221 in all.

The holding of a meeting of genuine representatives of the world's progressive press to discuss their common tasks of struggle against U.S. imperialist aggression at a serious moment when the aggression and war machinations of U.S. imperialism, the most vicious enemy of mankind, have been intensified as never before, is a great event in the annals of anti-imperialist struggle of the journalists of the whole world.

The Conference, which was held under the militant banner of anti-U.S. imperialism and was pervaded with the resolute anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist stand and the burning militancy of the participants, will be a bombshell against imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism and give an additional powerful impetus to the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle of the peoples of the whole world.

The Conference demonstrated the militant solidarity of progressive and revolutionary journalists of the whole world, who are fighting shoulder to shoulder in the same ranks under the banner of struggle against imperialism, U.S. imperialism; it will mark an epoch-making occasion for further strengthening their international solidarity and co-operation and enhancing their revolutionary role in the struggle for the cause of justice.

We participants in the Conference sharply denounced with burning indignation the aggression and war machinations of the U.S. imperialists and reaffirmed our unshakable determination to resolutely fight to the end against imperialism and colonialism headed by U.S. imperialism.

We are also filled with the determination to fight against the West German, Japanese, Portuguese, British and French imperialists, the allies of U.S. imperialism, while struggling against the latter.

Ours is an era of impetuous revolution in which the strong current of world revolution expands like a flood, an era of great struggle in which all the exploited peoples and oppressed nations rise in the liberation struggle, an era of revolutionary tempest sweeping away imperialism and colonialism from the surface of the world.

A fierce struggle is today going on in the international arena between socialism and imperialism, between the revolutionary forces and the counter-revolutionary forces, between the forces of peace and the forces of war, and in the course of this struggle the anti-imperialist revolutionary forces of the world continue to grow in triumph while imperialism heads towards bankruptcy.

Today the banner of socialism flutters over the vast continents of the globe.

The emergence of the world's first socialist state—the Soviet Union—has opened up the path to the present might of the socialist countries, and the socialist countries are exerting an important influence on the struggle of the people against U.S. imperialism. The socialist countries are giving military, economic and technical co-operation to the countries liberated from colonialism and imperialism in various parts of the world.

The peoples of Asia, Africa and Latin America, who have for centuries been oppressed and plundered by Western capitalism and imperialism, have resolutely risen and taken their place on the stage of history, and are courageously fighting to liberate themselves and consolidate the revolutionary gains already achieved.

The national-liberation movement of hundreds of millions of people, together with the revolutionary struggle of the international working class for socialism, constitutes a great revolutionary force of our times.

The struggle of the working people in capitalist countries for democracy and socialism is in high gear and deals continuous blows at imperialism, undermining it from within.

The socialist countries, the national-liberation movements and the revolutionary struggle of the working class against the oppression and exploitation of capital are united into one mighty stream that carries imperialism to its grave.

Imperialism has been considerably weakened as a result of the powerful advance of the anti-imperialist, revolutionary forces and the collapse of the colonial system. Contradictions within imperialism are becoming acute and antagonisms among the imperialist powers are intensified. Imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism is being hit and torn to pieces from all sides and driven ever deeper into blind impasse.

No force can ever check the development of the history of mankind in which socialism is emerging victorious and imperialism is going down to defeat, in which all shades of enslavement and oppression are being liquidated and the peoples are achieving complete liberation and independence.

But imperialism will never quit the arena of history of its own accord. It viciously challenges the cause of peace, national independence and social progress, in an attempt to find a way out of its impending downfall in aggression and war. U.S. imperialism is its organizer and author.

U.S. imperialism is the ringleader of world imperialism, the main force of aggression and war, the international gendarme, the bulwark of modern colonialism and the most ferocious enemy of the peoples of the whole world.

The history of U.S. imperialism from the day of its birth up to this very day reeks of blood. It is a history of aggression stained by a record of bloody warfare, piratical plunder and barbaric slaughter.

U.S. imperialism has enslaved many countries through continuous aggressive wars, fattening on the exploitation of the peoples. Especially after World War II, it took over as the chieftain of imperialism, the ringleader of international reaction. It has perpetrated and is now perpetrating aggression and war more atrociously, frantically and viciously than ever.

Of late, the U.S. imperialists have been engaging in reckless aggressive and subversive manoeuvres against the socialist countries.

Above all, the U.S. imperialists are viciously manoeuvring to swallow one by one small countries, or those that are divided, such as Viet Nam, Korea and Cuba.

The U.S. imperialists continue their criminal aggressive war against the Vietnamese people.

The U.S. imperialists who ignited a criminal aggressive war in Korea 19 years ago, are recklessly trying to unleash another aggressive war against the Korean people. The U.S. imperialists are making frantic efforts to strangle the Republic of Cuba.

The U.S. imperialists are brutally suppressing the national-liberation struggle of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples and have shown themselves to be ferocious stranglers of national independence.

The U.S. imperialists are intensifying their armed intervention in Laos and stepping up their aggressive machinations everywhere in Asia.

The U.S. imperialists have incited the Israeli aggressors, their stooges, to carry on a war of aggression against the Arab peoples and are egging these gangsters on to perpetuate their unlawful occupation of Arab territories and are maliciously scheming to stamp out the great cause of the Arab peoples for territorial integrity, consolidation of independence and creation of a new life.

The U.S. imperialists penetrate into the newly-born independent countries by using "aid" as a bait to meddle in their internal affairs, and indulge in nefarious schemes to engineer frequent military coups by bribing and scrapping together reactionary cliques to influence these countries in veering to the Right.

The U.S. imperialists are bent on still more crafty double dealing for the purpose of achieving their aggressive design of world domination.

In their aggressive manoeuvres the U.S. imperialists combine nuclear blackmail with "peaceful penetration," suppression with appeasement and deception, wielding an olive branch in one hand and an arrow in the other.

It is a traditional practice of U.S. imperialism to enlist all reactionary forces against the socialist countries and national-liberation movements and use them as a fifth column in its aggression.

The U.S. imperialists have revived and rearmed Japanese militarism to use it as "shock troops" for their Asian aggression, and are manoeuvring to knock into shape an Asian "anti-communist" military alliance by lining up their puppets in Asia, with Japanese militarism as the core. In an absurd attempt to realize its old dream of domination over Asia with the backing of U.S. imperialism, Japanese militarism in real earnest is stretching out its claws for a reinvasion of South Korea; it is directly participating in the Vietnamese war; it has placed Japan at the disposal of the U.S. imperialists for supply and attack bases for U.S. imperialist aggression against Asia.

In Europe, too, U.S. imperialism has not only revived West German militarism and rigged up the aggressive "NATO" alliance but also built numerous military bases and stepped up aggressive acts against the European peoples and the socialist countries. West German militarism, revived by U.S. imperialism, is feverishly striving to attain supremacy in Europe and maintain it under its active patronage and manipulation.

U.S. imperialism is indeed the most vicious, cruel, outrageous and brutal imperialism as far as aggressive design and the scale and methods of aggression are concerned.

No place on earth is safe from the tentacles of aggression stretched out by the U.S. imperialists, and no country is free from the menace of U.S. imperialist aggression.

Without the struggle against imperialism, U.S. imperialism in particular, world peace cannot be safeguarded, nor can national liberation and independence and the victory of democracy and socialism be achieved.

U.S. imperialism is the most inveterate common enemy and target No. 1 of the struggle of mankind.

Let us direct the main spearhead of attack against U.S. imperialism!

This is the basic strategy at the present time in the struggle of the peoples for the victory of the cause of revolution and peace.

Today, to fight resolutely against U.S. imperialism is the most pressing duty and primary task for us journalists who, in the course of history in which progressive forces have smashed reactionary forces and the revolutionary forces have triumphed over the counter-revolutionary forces, have always fought together with the people, firmly standing on their side, for freedom, liberation and social progress.

Whether or not we journalists actively turn out in the struggle against imperialism, U.S. imperialism in particular, is a measure showing whether or not we fight to thwart aggression and war and safeguard universal peace and security; whether or not we fight against enslavement and oppression and for freedom and independence; whether or not we fight for the progress and prosperity of mankind.

At this moment when the independence and sovereignty of the peoples are being oppressed and threatened, peace is trampled underfoot and the disaster of sanguinary war is forced upon them by U.S. imperialism; at this moment when hundreds of millions of people all over the world are groaning under the yoke of exploitation and oppression, suffering from inhuman contempt and maltreatment, and are dying of hunger, poverty, hard labour and disease, it behoves us journalists, fighters for freedom and liberation of the people, to hoist ever higher the banner of anti-U.S. struggle.

We journalists cannot remain mere bystanders, mere recorders of the realities of our times.

All anti-imperialist journalists of the world must resolutely turn out in the fight against the U.S. imperialist aggression and must direct their sharp pens of attack against U.S. imperialism.

Progressive press and publishing activities for the ideals and welfare of mankind and for social progress and civilization can find their real worth precisely in the struggle against U.S. imperialism.

We journalists must wield our militant pens, first of all, to lay bare the aggressive nature of U.S. imperialism and its policy of war.

Aggression and plunder are inherent to the nature of imperialism.

Ideological lackeys of imperialism prattle as if the nature of imperialism had changed and make a vain attempt to dress it up with the cloak of "peace," thus concealing its real nature.

The aggressive nature of imperialism cannot and will not change till its downfall.

U.S. imperialism is the most barbarous and shameless aggressor and piratical plunderer of modern times.

The true colours of U.S. imperialism as a blood-stained aggressor and plunderer have been, and are still being exposed to the light of the day in the Korean war, in the Vietnamese war and in the gangsterish invasion of Playa Giron, in the bloody aggression and brutal massacres it commits everywhere, every hour and everyday.

We must indict, condemn and judge before world public opinion all the criminal actions incessantly perpetrated by the U.S. imperialists against mankind, such as open aggression, interference in other's internal affairs, subversion, the frantic arms race, formation of aggressive military blocs, establishment of military bases in the territories of other countries and provocation of aggressive war.

We must not allow any illusions about U.S. imperialism to be propagated. Illusion about imperialism is a narcotic that weakens the anti-U.S. imperialist struggle and prepares the way for aggression.

We must definitely smash the false imperialist propaganda that imperialism can make a gift of independence to the colonial peoples and coexist in peace with free and independent Asia, Africa and Latin America.

We must actively propagate the truth that the colonial peoples can get rid of enslavement and oppression and achieve national liberation, and that the liberated peoples can safeguard independence from the imperialist aggression and bring prosperity to their countries and nations, only when they vigorously carry out an anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle.

Peace must not be begged for but fought for. We must arm the masses with the idea that genuine peace can be won only through struggle against imperialist aggression and war, against the wreckers of peace, and only by opposing a peace that enslaves and by overthrowing the rule of the oppressors.

Let us lead the peoples more vigorously onto the road of genuine peace, the road of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle!

Let us encourage the oppressed peoples to carry out their struggle for genuine independence and

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prosperity, holding aloft the banner of revolution, until imperialism is finally defeated!

We must energetically awaken all the anti-imperialist forces to invariably adhere to the principled stand of opposing U.S. imperialism; to check and frustrate its machination of aggression and war through their actual struggle.

The "peace" which U.S. imperialists clamour about is nothing but a screen to cover their aggression and war, and their "peace strategy" is a supplement to their military aggression and the continuation of this aggression in a disguised form.

We must mercilessly rip the hypocritic "peace" mask from the face of U.S. imperialism and fully lay bare before the peoples the blood-stained tentacles of aggression concealed behind that mask.

Further, we must thoroughly expose the insidious, crafty methods of neo-colonialism employed by U.S. imperialism.

We must divulge the hypocrisy of the so-called "independence" which the imperialists grant after rigging up puppet governments; we must seek out the noose of aggression and enslavement concealed in the sack of "aid" and awaken ever broader sections of the masses.

While exposing the true colors of U.S. imperialism, we must also strip to the bone the reactionary nature of neo-colonialist methods such as the so-called "commonwealth," "community" and "protectorate" which British, French and other imperialists are advocating.

To foil the reactionary ideological offensive of U.S. imperialism is the militant task incumbent upon us journalists who are in the ideological front against U.S. imperialism.

"Anti-communism," the decadent "American way of life," racialism and the like, disseminated by U.S. imperialism, are all mean instruments for perverting justice and progress, fanning up aggression and war and whipping up plunder and butchery; they are a poisonous venom which leads the peoples to ideological and moral degeneration. They are nefarious means of paralysing the national consciousness of the peoples and, furthermore, of depriving them of the fruits of the revolution.

We journalists must resolutely answer the reactionary ideological offensive launched by U.S. imperialism by a progressive revolutionary ideological offensive, shatter "anti-communism," the "American way of life," racism, "America-worship," "fear of America" and actively protect the people from that venom so that they safeguard the cause of revolution.

We must rebuke and sternly condemn the degenerated self-styled journalists who, bribed by dollars, assist U.S. imperialism in its ideological and cultural penetration and subversion.

We must always fortify our press and publishing activities as a strong front of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle, as a powerful ideological bastion and militant fortress for crushing all reactionary U.S. imperialist propaganda.

An important task facing our revolutionary and progressive publications, news media, radio and TV is to give leadership and guidance to those people who have risen in the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle decisively, so that they can defeat U.S. imperialism with a correct fighting strategy and line.

At present the revolutionary strategy for smashing U.S. imperialism's global strategy is for the revolutionary forces of the world jointly to deal blows at U.S. imperialism everywhere. We must see to it that the broad anti-imperialist forces jointly deal blows and put pressure on U.S. imperialism in all areas and on all fronts, be it in Asia, Europe, Africa or Latin America, in big countries or small countries. Only by so doing, can we disperse and undermine the strength of U.S. imperialism to the maximum and successfully frustrate its strategy of smashing, one by one, the socialist countries and other international revolutionary forces.

U.S. imperialism is by no means invincible. When countries, even if small, use their own brains and, relying on their own strength, unite their people and wage a courageous struggle to the bitter end regardless of sacrifice, then they are fully able to defeat U.S. imperialism. This is the living truth of our age that has been substantiated by the Korean war, by the victory of the Cuban revolution and by the anti-U.S., national-salvation war of resistance in Viet Nam.

Let us all join forces and mutilate U.S. imperialism!

We must determinedly rouse and lead the peoples so as to make them rise wherever U.S. imperialism stretches out its tentacles of aggression and cut off its right and left arms, right and left legs and behead it. When we do so, U.S. imperialism will be rendered impotent and eventually go to ruin, and the people can then knock down the enemy with a decisively overwhelming force.

In the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle, unity is strength and a reliable guarantee for victory.

The U.S. imperialists are afraid, above everything else, of the united strength of the anti-imperialist revolutionary forces, and manoeuvre to break it down.

We must energetically strive to unite the socialist forces, national-liberation movements, working-class movements, democratic movements and all the militant and revolutionary forces of the world against imperialism under one and the same banner, the banner of joint anti-U.S. imperialist action and anti-U.S. imperialist united front.

We must definitely counter the nefarious schemes of U.S. imperialism to undermine the socialist forces and try our utmost to defend their unity.

We must smash every machination of the imperialists to disrupt the anti-imperialist forces and fight to safeguard and cement the unity of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist forces.

Today, all the countries and all the forces, except the puppet regimes and flunkeys of the imperialists, can become anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist forces.

There may be various kinds of people among those who come out against imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism. But, no matter what their motives may be, all these forces opposed to imperialism and fighting for the people should be enlisted in the joint anti-imperialist struggle.

We journalists in the fields of the press, news agency, radio and TV must energetically strive to unite all the areas, all the countries, all the groups, all the peoples and all the forces that oppose imperialism in order to expand and strengthen the international anti-imperialist joint action and anti-imperialist united front, while inducing those who shun the anti-imperialist struggle to join in that struggle and encourage those who are passive in the anti-imperialist struggle to become active.

In order to oppose U.S. imperialism, defend world peace and achieve independence and social progress, we must resolutely fight against the stooges of U.S. imperialism and its allies, above all, Japanese and West German militarism.

The struggle against Japanese and West German militarism is a link in the chains of the struggle against U.S. imperialism and is a struggle for the defence of peace in Asia, Europe and the world. We journalists must thoroughly lay bare the danger of Japanese militarism which serves U.S. imperialism as the "shock troops" for its Asian aggression, check and frustrate its aggressive ambitions and positively fight to foil its vicious attempts to disorganize the anti-imperialist front under the cloak of being a "friend" of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples.

At the same time, we must fight to foil the revanchist, expansionist ambitions of West German militarism that has been revived and rearmed under the patronage of U.S. imperialism and is seeking to invade the socialist countries in Europe including the G.D.R.

Regarding the anti-imperialist revolutionary cause of the peoples as our own lofty mission, we should extend positive support and militant encouragement to the just struggle of the peoples with firm internationalist solidarity and fervent revolutionary zeal.

Today, the Vietnamese people's war of resistance for national salvation against the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops has become the focal point of the anti-imperialist struggle, and the U.S. imperialist aggressive forces and the anti-imperialist, peace-loving forces of the world stand in sharp confrontation in the indomitable land of Viet Nam.

It is a lofty duty devolving on the progressive peoples and journalists of the whole world to support and encourage, by all means, the heroic Vietnamese people, who are waging a bloody struggle against the aggression of U.S. imperialism to defend the North, liberate the South and achieve the unification and independence of the country, and to safeguard peace in Asia and the world.

We strongly condemn U.S. imperialism for its piratical aggressive war and murderous atrocities against the Vietnamese people and its crafty machinations for escalating the war.

The progressive, revolutionary journalists of the world should raise their voice against the U.S. imperialist aggression against Viet Nam and positively inspire the revolutionary peoples and peace-loving peoples of the whole world to pool their strength to assist the Vietnamese people and balk and frustrate the U.S. imperialist aggression through concerted action.

The master of Viet Nam is the Vietnamese people, and the Vietnamese problem must be settled by the Vietnamese people themselves. The U.S. imperialist aggressors must quit the land of Viet Nam at once with their own aggressive forces, the troops of their satellites and puppets and all their lethal weapons.

We fully support the four-point stand of the Government of the Democratic Republic of Viet Nam, the ten-point proposition advanced by the delegation of the South Viet Nam National Front for Liberation at the Paris Conference and the programme of action of the Provisional Revolutionary Government of the Republic of South Viet Nam which will lead the Vietnamese problem to the only right solution.

We express our firm militant solidarity with the struggle of the heroic Vietnamese people.

U.S. imperialist aggressors, take your blood-stained hands off Viet Nam immediately!

Today the Korean people are waging a stubborn struggle against the nation-splitting policy of U.S. imperialism and its aggression and war provocative machinations, and for the independent peaceful unification of the country, for peace in Korea, the Far East and the world.

U.S. imperialism is the aggressor that has turned South Korea into a colony and military base and is imposing unprecedented national calamity and sufferings upon the South Korean people and is the war provocateur that obstructs Korea's unification, disturbing peace and giving rise to the flames of another war in Korea.

We strongly denounce U.S. imperialism for its occupation of South Korea and its machinations for another war.

**The U.S. imperialist aggressors have no pretext and ground whatsoever to hang on in South Korea. The U.S. imperialists must get out of South Korea at once and their colonial rule must be liquidated. The so-called "United Nations Commission for the Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea," a tool of U.S. imperialists for aggression, must be dissolved without delay.**

**Korea belongs to the Korean people and to achieve the country's unification by the Korean people themselves is their legitimate right that nobody can infringe upon.**

We support the consistent, fair and just stand and endeavours of the Government of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea toward achieving the country's unification independently and peacefully on democratic lines, under the condition that the U.S. imperialist aggressors get out of South Korea, and render all-out support to the Korean people's struggle for the withdrawal of the U.S. imperialist aggressors from South Korea and the complete unification and independence of the country.

We condemn U.S. imperialism and the Pak Jung Hi puppet clique for their suppression and atrocious murder of the South Korean revolutionaries and patriots and express our firm militant solidarity with the South Korean people in their struggle against U.S. imperialism and its underlings, and for freedom, liberation and national unification.

The just cause of the Korean people will surely be crowned with victory.

We deem it our common duty to fight against the aggressive and subversive machinations of the U.S. imperialists against the Republic of Cuba, and to fight in defence of the victory of the Cuban revolution.

The victory of the Cuban revolution, which has made the first breach in the system of U.S. imperialists' neo-colonialist rule over Latin America, is a great event that affords one more positive proof of the inevitable downfall of U.S. imperialism in our times.

The machinations of U.S. imperialism to strangle the Republic of Cuba by means of military aggression and blockade must be held in check and the U.S. imperialist aggressor troops must withdraw from Guantanamo without delay.

We extend our warm support and encouragement to the people of Cuba, whose entire people and nation are strenuously fighting in a single body for the defence of the revolutionary gains and the victory of the cause of socialism in the face of the aggression of U.S. imperialism.

We extend our warm support and encouragement to the people and journalists of the socialist countries, who are fighting against the policy of aggression and war pursued by imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism and for the victory of the common cause of socialism and communism.

Today the fighting Arab front is our common battle front. We journalists extend our militant support for the armed struggle of the Palestinian people to restore their homeland, to establish patriotic democratic Palestinian state and to achieve national independence. We resolutely support the peoples of the United Arab Republic, Syria and Jordan in their struggle against the armed aggression of U.S. imperialism and its lackeys, the Israeli aggressors, to liberate their occupied territories from the Israeli aggressors. We fully support the struggles of the Arab peoples of Algeria, Iraq, the Yemen Arab Republic and the People's Republic of Southern Yemen for the defence of national independence and building a new life.

We scathingly denounce U.S. imperialism and its stooges, the Israeli aggressors, for their criminal aggressive acts in the Arab land and strongly demand the unconditional withdrawal of the Israeli aggressors from their illegally occupied Arab territory and the return of Palestine to its masters, the Palestinian people.

The progressive journalists must struggle resolutely against Zionist influence in capitalist press since this influence reflects the ideology and policy of the imperialist reactionaries.

The national-liberation struggle of the Asian, African and Latin American peoples is a sacred struggle for building free, independent and new Asia, Africa and Latin America and a struggle to curb and thwart the aggression and war machinations of imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism and to defend world peace.

As long as the imperialists oppress and plunder the colonial peoples by force of arms and savagely suppress the revolution-



**The Conference adopts "Pyongyang Declaration of the Journalists of the Whole World in Their Fight against the Aggression of U.S. Imperialism" amid unanimous, enthusiasth applause**

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ary advance of the oppressed people. It is inevitable for the oppressed peoples to fight with arms in their hands. Violence must be countered by violence, counter-revolutionary armed forces must be crushed by revolutionary armed forces.

The attainment of political independence is no more than the first step towards the ultimate victory of the national-liberation revolution.

The people who have won independence must actively strive to smash the colonial ruling machine of imperialism, wipe out its economic foothold, strengthen the revolutionary forces, establish a progressive socio-political system and build an independent national economy and national culture. This is the right road along which one can advance towards freedom, happiness, national independence and prosperity without repeating the bitter history of the ills and distresses which capitalism inevitably goes through.

We journalists in the fields of the press, news agency, radio and TV must extend wholehearted support and encouragement to the armed struggle of the oppressed peoples who have risen in a great decisive struggle for freedom and liberation under the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist and anti-colonialist banner and support all forms of struggles for the overthrow of the rule of the oppressors.

We must also express firm solidarity with the just cause of the peoples fighting for the consolidation of the independence and sovereignty already achieved and for the accomplishment of the national-liberation revolution.

Victory on each front against imperialism, against U.S. imperialism, precisely means a common victory of the world people. The anti-imperialist journalists of the whole world should raise their voices of militant support and encouragement still higher, expressing international solidarity with the people of all areas, of all continents and of all countries in their struggle against imperialism.

We support the struggle of the Laotian people for national independence against the armed intervention of U.S. imperialism. We support the struggle of the Cambodian people for the defence of the territorial integrity and national sovereignty against the interference of U.S. imperialism and its stooges; we support the struggle of the Japanese people against U.S. imperialism and the monopoly capital at home and for the complete independence and democracy of the country, the abrogation of the U.S.-Japan "Security Pact" and the return of Okinawa. We must definitely support and encourage the struggle of the Asian peoples for driving out the U.S. imperialist aggressors from the whole area of Asia.

We support the struggle of the peoples of the Near and Middle East and Africa who are forging ahead under the unfurled banner of national liberation and independence.

The behind-the-scenes manipulator encouraging the colonialists in Africa to persist in their barbaric rule and policy of butchery is none other than U.S. imperialism.

We support the struggle of the peoples of Guinea, the Congo (B), Tanzania, Mauritania, Burundi, Somalia, Zambia and Sudan and other African countries who are endeavouring to safeguard national independence and build a new life while opposing all sorts of intrigues of imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism led by U.S. imperialism.

We extend positive support and encouragement to the struggle of the African peoples including the peoples of Angola, Mozambique, Guinea Bissau, Namibia and the Congo (L) who are waging an armed struggle against imperialism and colonialism for freedom and liberation.

We scathingly condemn all forms of racialism and apartheid, and actively support and encourage the struggle of the people of Zimbabwe against the "independence" of Southern Rhodesia which was unlawfully and arbitrarily concocted by the Smith clique, and the struggle of the South African people against apartheid.

We must fervently support and encourage the Latin American peoples in their fight against U.S. imperialism and pro-American reactionary dictatorships and forcefully inspire their struggle.

We support and encourage the revolutionary struggle of the Latin American peoples including the peoples of Venezuela, Colombia, Guatemala and Bolivia who are valiantly fighting, arms in hand, for freedom and genuine independence.

We support the anti-imperialist position of the peoples of Peru and the Dominican Republic and, particularly, render support to the revolutionary measures recently taken by the Peruvian government against U.S. imperialism.

We support the just struggle of the people of the German Democratic Republic against the rearmament of West German militarism and its expansionist ambitions and extend support to the peoples of the socialist countries who are fighting against the U.S. imperialists' manoeuvres for aggression in Europe and the world and for the immutability of the Oder-Neisse frontiers and for the safeguarding of European peace and security.

We extend our warm encouragement to the peoples of Europe who are fighting for security and peace in this area, demanding the dissolution of the "NATO," a U.S. imperialist tool for military aggression, and the dismantling of the U.S. military bases in Europe.

We support the struggle of the working people and progressive youths and students in the capitalist countries including France, Italy and Britain who are against imperialist war, oppression and arbitrariness of capital and for democracy and socialism, and extend militant support and encouragement to the democratic forces of Spain, Portugal and Greece fighting against fascism for democracy and social progress.

We also condemn racialism prevalent in the United States as applied to the Afro-Americans, Indians, Puerto-Ricans, Mexican-Americans and Esquimo Indians.

We support the struggle of what are known as the 'poor whites' in the U.S.A. and protest at the persecution of progressive peoples and students in the U.S.A. who struggle against U.S. imperialist aggression in Viet Nam.

We protest against and indignantly condemn the fascist persecution and repression by the imperialists against the activities of the progressive and revolutionary press and extend the warmest support and militant encouragement to the progressive journalists of the capitalist countries who under the imperialist yoke of reaction are unyieldingly fighting for the freedom of press activities.

The progressive journalists of the whole world who are fighting together on the common front against imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism should hold still higher the banner of militant solidarity!

We must pool all our energies and wisdom, and support, encourage and closely co-operate with each other to translate our articles and writings which expose and oppose the aggression of imperialism, notably U.S. imperialism, and arouse the people to the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle, so that their powerful voice will ring out in every nook and corner of the globe.

Despite the difference in nationalities and party affiliations, political views and religious beliefs, we are comrades-in-arms and brothers and sisters fighting together against the common enemy and for the victory of the common cause.

Though our spoken and written languages may be different, all our militant and revolutionary reports and political articles must become arrows of hatred, political and ideological gunfire showered upon the U.S. imperialists and all the other imperialists and reactionaries, and become the kindling sparks of struggle, the flames of indignation.

The hearts of us journalists, who are concurrently anti-imperialist militant champions, must blaze as fiercely as the burning hearts of the resistance fighters battling in jungles and mountains, arms in hand, against imperialism and colonialism; our articles must become the clarion call; the banner of struggle under which we advance to the decisive field of battle, together with the heroic front-line combatants, joining our words to their bullets in piercing the hearts of the enemy.

Our articles must powerfully resound in the militant ranks of those valiant fighters who have risen in resistance in the teeth of the fascist tyranny of U.S. imperialism and its lackeys and are pressing upon the enemy's stronghold, demanding freedom and democracy, a new life and new regime, and marching ahead in the van of the angry masses who have risen against the aggression of foreign imperialism and the oppressors.

Our voices must join the fighting ranks of the Negroes who have resolutely risen to break down the chains of racialism with their mighty fists raised high, and sound higher together with the shouts of the anti-war demonstrators who are indignantly protesting against and condemning the aggressive war and murderous atrocities of imperialism.

The course of struggle against imperialism, against U.S. imperialism, is by no means smooth and the road we have to travel in our fight is still long and arduous.

Neither trying ordeals nor rugged thorny paths, however, can ever stop the vigorous advance of us journalists who are out to devote ourselves to the sacred cause of freedom and liberty, progress and peace.

We, as fighters conscious of the historic mission we have assumed in our times and before humanity, will unreservedly dedicate all our wisdom, zeal and energies to the world-wide struggle against U.S. imperialism, fighting on with redoubled courage full of conviction, militancy and hope, without the slightest hesitation and vacillation even in the severest adversity. By so doing, we will truly contribute to the sacred cause of the liberation of mankind, peace and social progress, and add to the honour, pride and happiness of being militant writers of our times.

U.S. imperialism blusters and threatens at present, but its days are numbered.

The death knell, announcing the inevitable doom of U.S. imperialism, is already tolling over its head. U.S. imperialism, incarnation of crimes against humanity and the ringleader of reaction, guilty of so many ferocious crimes and outrages against mankind, responsible for untold calamities and miseries for the human race, will finally go down to its end.

Nothing can save the U.S. imperialists from being sucked into the very vortex of whirlpool of defeat; no force can halt the grand forward march of mankind towards socialism and national independence, democracy and peace.

Journalists of the whole world, raise higher the banner of anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. struggle and resolutely smash the U.S. imperialist machinations for aggression and war, the most ferocious common enemy of mankind!

Fight on stubbornly until imperialism headed by U.S. imperialism, is buried for ever!

Let us further strengthen the militant unity of the anti-imperialist journalists of the whole world!

Death to the U.S. imperialist aggressors!

Long live the great banner of the anti-imperialist, anti-U.S. imperialist struggle!

**The International Conference on the Tasks of Journalists of the Whole World in Their Fight against the Aggression of U.S. Imperialism**

*Pyongyang, September 24, 1969*

*FROM THE PYONGANG TIMES 9/26/69*



*ELDRIDGE AND BYRON*



*BYRON AND ELDRIDGE WITH REV. BROS. FROM ZIMBABWE VIEW SYMBOLS OF U.S. DEFEAT DISPLAYED IN VICTORY MUSEUM.*

# BEYOND THE DEMARCATION LINE

Being here in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is like catching glimpses of the future. It's seeing what unity and the correct revolutionary program can create for those intent upon putting an end to oppression and the exploitation of man by man. It is a dramatic reminder of what we must do within the borders of the fascist United States to create a system responsible to the people, and not one forced upon them by pigs and rich capitalists whose money is backed in blood--in the blood of our brothers and sisters, the blood of Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, Taiwan, Latin America, Palestine and the people of South Korea.

I am also reminded of the years I spent in Soledad and Chino prisons and how on January 27, 1969, Clinton Smith and I broke our prison chains and escaped to take up arms, and the heart break we felt because all our revolutionary brothers and sisters who are presently being held captive could not, too, break their prison chains, and move from captivity to revolution.

Even while Clinton and I forced the National Airline pilots, the next day, to fly us to Havana, I found the pins of each mile separating me from you brothers and sisters in Babylon as something far worse than the five years I spent in prison.

The few months I stayed in Cuba were spent well and after leaving Cuba to join the international staff of our Party, as Deputy Minister of Defense, I see, in even greater depth, the deep significance of the teachings of Brother Huey.

He has, from the bastions of world imperialism, taught us to do what many nations have found impossible to do, and that is, that stress follows the line of least resistence and when applying the law of stress we must use a lever --the lever being the gun and the line of least resistence being the pigs' a--es. In the Democratic People's Republic of Korea they have used that formula well.

Brother Eldridge and I arrived here on September 11, our mission being threefold: First, a diplomatic mission; second, as delegates to the World Conference of anti-imperialist Journalists; and thirdly, to witness the historical episodes of defeat for U S imperialist, pig aggression.

Before and after the conference, which lasted 8 days and sometimes as long as 17 hours a day, we visited the museums, the industrial sites, the schools and the co-operatives where production exceeds the hideous dreams of the pig capitalists. We visited Sinchon where U.S. imperialist, pig aggression rought wholesale genocide. We visited the tombs where women were mass murdered by the hundreds and tombs where hundreds of children were herded into, and like the macabre tales of nazi Germany, gasoline was poured through vents. The walls still mark the scratches of terrified and hysterical children, as they tried with their bare hands to tear down those cement walls in their last frantic moments of life before being burned alive with pig gasoline, ignited with a pig match, by a pig hand, Eldridge and I could only stand in silent understanding

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*BEYOND THE*

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as we thought of you brothers and sisters in Babylon, History is warning us, and the present is telling us, that...But there, beneath the ground, in those tombs, we could not speak about it; not there where the screams of those children seemed to be silently and timelessly alive and their bodies twisted about our feet.

We visited Victory Museum where many of the biological bombs dropped by the pig-motherfucka's are being kept as a memorial of U.S. imperialist, pig aggression. The war relics there still echo the defeat of the pigs who left whoped and shotup as the lever of the gun was applied to their asses, or those that didn't leave, but instead oinked their last oink and joined the place where all pigs go when met with the might of the people.

Even when they came in force, hidden in machines of death and encased in steel - they died or were driven behind the 38th parallel where they licked their wounds and plotted new acts of pig aggression. When they came in ships they were either blown out of the water or ripped off like the Pirate Pueblo, or the spies who came by air and found that also like Korean soil, it too was unyeilding to U.S. imperialist pigs.

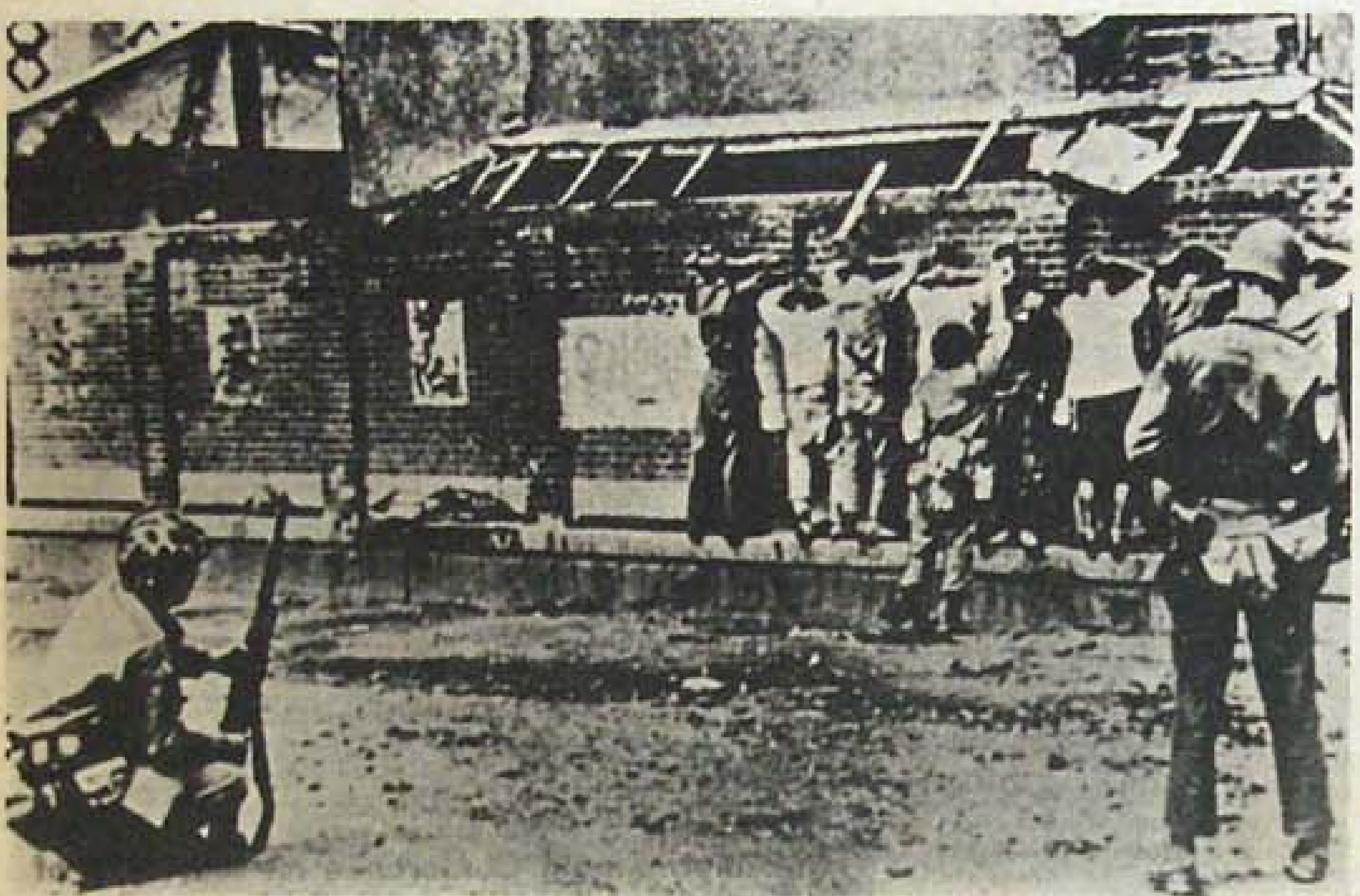
Around Korea we have seen the machines marked 'made in U.S.A.' but they are by no means symbols of neo-colonialism, but rather, symbols where the pigs got their a--es kicked and learned a new vocabulary like 'Heart-break Ridge.'

Even now while Warden Nixon plans to use the combat experienced pigs of Vietnam to open up a two-sided front, one in Korea and one against us, the Koreans are planning to kick some more pigs' a--es and we, brothers and sisters, must do the same.

From the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Byron Booth
Deputy Minister of Defense
International Staff
Black Panther Party




*"THE SPIES WHO CAME BY AIR FOUND THAT IT, LIKE KOREAN SOIL, WAS UNYIELDING TO U.S. IMPERIALIST PIGS."*



*UPON OCCUPYING SOUTH KOREA THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS ENFORCED MILITARY ADMINISTRATION AND HAVE PERPETRATED ATROCITIES OF ARRESTING AND IMPRISONING INNUMERABLE PATRIOTIC PEOPLE AT RANDOM*

*ALL THE FACTS GO TO PROVE CLEARLY THAT U.S. IMPERIALISM IS THE CHIEFTAIN OF WORLD IMPERIALISM, THE MOST BARBAROUS AND SHAMELESS AGGRESSOR AND WARMONGER, THE INTERNATIONAL GENDARME SUPPRESSING THE PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE FOR NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE, DEMOCRACY AND SOCIALISM, THE BULWARK OF MODERN COLONIALISM, THE MOST HEINOUS COMMON ENEMY OF THE PEOPLES OF THE WHOLE WORLD AND TARGET NO.1 IN THEIR STRUGGLE.*



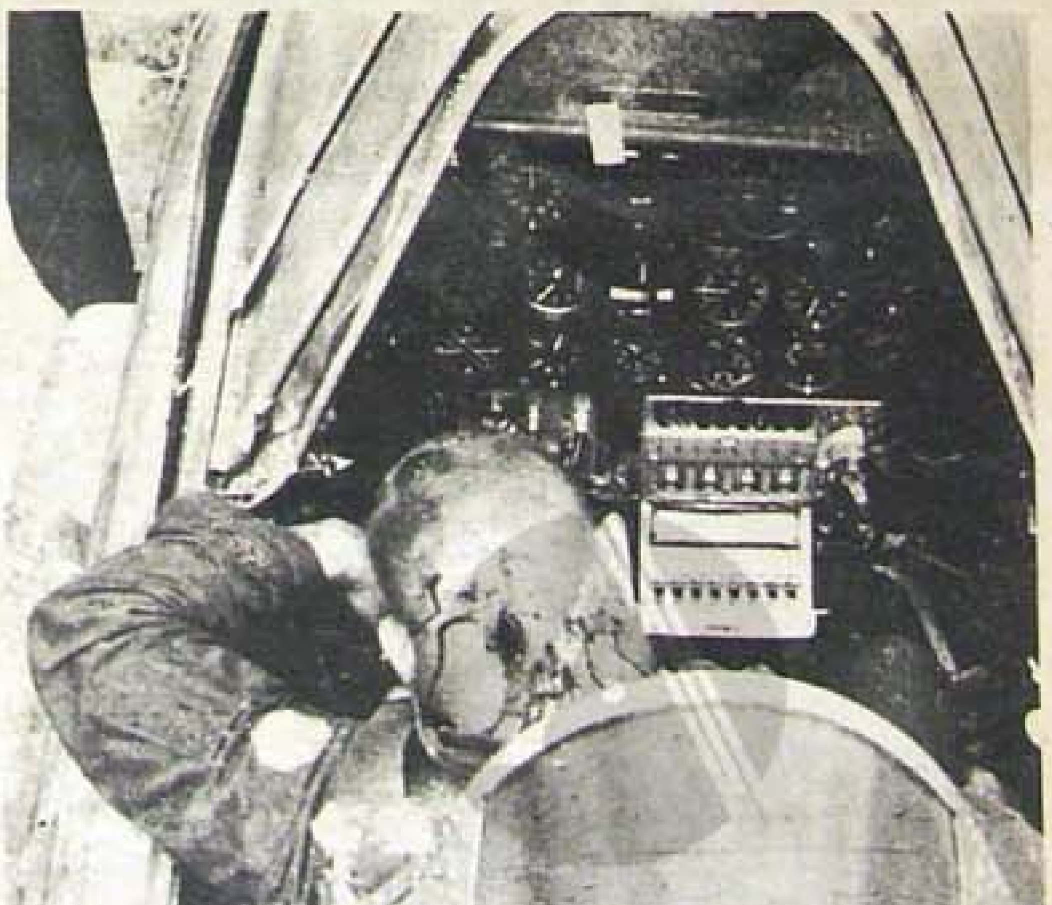
*THE U.S. IMPERIALIST MURDEROUS DEVILS BESTIALLY KILLING INNOCENT PEOPLE, LORDING IT OVER SOUTH KOREA WHICH IS NOT THEIR COUNTRY, NOT THEIR TERRITORY*



*U.S. ARMY 613094 NOW IN A KOREAN MUSEUM*



*PATRIOTS INCLUDING COMRADE CHOE YONG DO, WAGING STRUGGLE AT THE "COURT," TRENCHANTLY DENOUNCING U.S. IMPERIALISM AND THE PAK JUNG HI FASCIST CLIQUE*



*FROM THE-SKYS OF THE D.P.R.K., ONE DEAD C.I.A. SPY- HE DIED THE DEATH OF A HOG*

# BROTHERS, WHY ARE YOU THERE ???

It is important that the G.I.'s have the correct insight and views on Vietnam as far as the North Vietnamese are concerned in relation to the struggle here in America. They are directly linked together as the same type of war and with the correct insight or ideology the G.I.'s would know that this type of war, is a war of aggression and oppression. It directly shows that the North Vietnamese are not our enemies, in fact, that they are our brothers and that they realize this fact directly towards Black G.I.'s.

A prime example of that is that one night while we were down in a little village the airbase there was attacked and I was staying at a house with a Vietnamese girl (I had the wrong type of ideology because when I went over, a lot of racism was perpetrated to keep our thoughts diverted ).

The North Vietnamese came through the village, and broke into a few of the houses. They broke into the house where I was staying. I had heard firing in the streets and I knew that they were coming close because a few shots went off by the door. I got up from the bed and climbed into a wall closet which protruded from the wall, into hiding. In the armed services over there only where it is very hostile do the bases allow air force personnel to carry weapons. Say for instance Da Nang is allowed to carry their own weapons. And where I was, we were not allowed to carry weapons, so I was in the village, defenseless, with no weapons and frightened of what might have happened. I was in hiding in the closet when the door was broken into and a search of the house was made. The only thing that gave me away was that my clothes were still out and they knew that I was there and they searched and finally I was found in the closet. The woman I was with started speaking a lot and she was rapping pretty heavy and said something to the effect that it was alright for me to be there and a few other things but she was talking so fast that I couldn't understand everything she was saying. Nevertheless the Viet Cong never harmed me. We all sat down and we got high, you know. She rapped to'em and rapped to 'em and she was very intelligent. She spoke English fluently, she wrote it and she worked on one of the Army bases there. After the meeting that they had there she told me not to reveal anything and that everything would be alright. But after that meeting, I thought that perhaps she belonged to the NLF, (The National Liberation Front).

Various things happened. You go around and you see posters nailed up to the trees, and the buildings, and maybe around the villages, telling the Black GI's to go home, that it's not his fight here, that he has another fight back home. This is common for GI's, and the Black GI's in particular know this but the fact is that they're being misdirected and misguided, and told a whole bunch of rhetoric bulls--t. The GI's know that this is not their fight. Another example is that I had a partner that drove a truck, he was delivering C-rations and what not, and they used to open up fire on his truck, they usually fired on the truck if there was someone else with him, perhaps a White dude, then they would fire above his head above the truck, or on the ground just before the truck and never actually hit the truck. He would stop and throw a few cases of C-rations and they would have some C-rations.

There were a lot of other incidents which occurred, such as-- you can link this up directly with the propaganda that the armed forces uses over there. There are two types of armies over there, one called the Viet Cong, and the other the North Vietnamese Army. The Viet Cong are the type of soldiers with black pajamas, straw hats, and leather sandals. They use guerrilla warfare type tactics throughout the jungle, most of their recruitment comes from South Vietnam. The North Vietnamese Army is an Army that is clothed in reglar uniform, they have helmets, jungle boots and are very highly skilled, and very highly trained soldiers who are very dedicated to the struggle of their people. The Chu Ho Program of giving up is directed at the Viet Cong. So we can link this directly up to the struggle here in the States. I'll say that the Chu Ho Program is implemented through propaganda media that the armed forces uses over there which is leafleting, and they leaflet quite heavy over there. They fly these airplanes up and drop all of these leaflets into the villages and throughout the jungles for people and the Viet Cong to give themselves up. Another type of leaflet is to terrorize the people, it shows a picture of a place destroyed or shows a picture of people being killed and if you fight with the North Vietnamese this will happen to you or this could happen to your homes if you do this. The people are frightened of this. We relate this directly to the way the Panthers are out here circulating our news media, and selling our newspaper and getting picked up for this and going to jail for this. And in the same way the armed forces are leafleting the people over there with anti-communist literature and telling them that if they don't do this or if they don't do what the leaflet tells them that things will happen to them, and to their homes and to their families.

The Vietnamese people are simply fighting for a way of life for their people, theyare fighting for the right to determine their own destiny. And I feel that this is directly linked up with the liberation of Black people in Babylon . We are fighting for survival and all the things that the NorthVietnamesepeople are fighting for, so therefore, that does not make us any different, but only more alike and we consider the North Vietnamese, in fact, our brothers.

You can look at statistics or the numbers shown by the stockades in Vietnam which by the way is illegal. According to the Geneva Convention they are not allowed to have a stockade in Vietnam but they still have one. It's not to say that the people here don't know or that the people of this country's government don't know, because at the time I was in the stockade the Assistant Secretary of Defense was there and he knew it was there and he knew the conditions that existed. The other people who are in the government know this also. As I was saying, the majority of the people that are in the stockade over there are brothers. And I would venture to say that it would be 99% or or so from 100%. There are very few White people in there, this is why brothers are so apt to be racist because it is a known fact that everyone in the stockade are brothers just about. And the majority of people are in there as far as offenses are concerned, for refusing to go to the field. This is refusing to go out and fight. And this is because the ones who are there have come to the point where they have become aware of the fact of what they are fighting for. To come home to the same thing, the same conditions, these are the ones who refuse to go out and fight anymore and they say-- well now that I'm over here and I know it was wrong to come but I'm here and I'm not going to fight any further, or I'm not going to do anything for this imperialist government anymore. I'm going to stay here. And they sentence them for a pretty long time, and then if they refuse to go again, they have another court martial which stems up to a general court martial. The majority of them that come in the first time are sentenced to six months and if they have a general court martial and are sentenced again, they give you anywhere from a year on up in the Federal Penitentiary at Ft. Leavenworth. So they are becoming more aware and more so a part of the struggle and we can't separate them from the struggle, because they're coming back home to fight this oppression that is being forced on us here and which we're no longer going to take. They in fact, seem to realize that the North Vietnamese are going through the same type of repression in Vietnam.

At one time when I first went over, I should say while I was over there and I didn't have the ideology or the correct thinking that I have now- in terms of why I was there and in terms of what I was actually doing and whether I was right in doing it or not. I felt as though I was wrong to be there and I was not going to be there any longer. So I had really planned to make contacts for myself to leave the country, which for a Black man in Vietnam is not very hard to do. I met with some Viet Cong who took me from an area one night and we started on the route of my planned escape. I had gotten halfway on the escape trail when I started thinking that I was really running and where I was really going and how I could be pertinent to the struggle, because I knew there was a struggle going on back here. I always wanted to be a part of it but didn't know how to actually go about it. And I felt as though if I had gone out and left perhaps I might not have ever come back. So rather than go, I turned around and went back. And in turn, now that I'm back here in the States in the struggle and a part of it, GI's realize that there is a struggle but there's pressure being put on them over there and that's why we have to speak to them, and let them know that they should stop what they are doing and concentrate more on what is happening here.



*BLACK G.I. IN VIETNAM*

We have to make them politically aware that its not the Vietnamese that are the oppressors but they are themselves, in being over there, an oppressor. That they are themselves a tool of this imperialist government that is vamping on other countries. Because if the war in Vietnam stopped tomorrow, there would be another war somewhere else that would rise up because of the greediness and imperialist attitude of this country. So we know that another war would pop up tomorrow if the war in Vietnam stops. But we want to say again that we just don't want to end the war to bring the GI's home. We want to bring them home for a purpose. And that purpose is to fight for the liberation of their people here. With the result that if they can go over there and spill blood in the imperialist war and for imperialists that they should at least come back home and join in the struggle, to spill a little blood for their own people and for the fight of all oppressed people in the battle.

The Black GI's in particular have to realize the fact also that not only is this an imperialist war that is being waged in Vietnam today, but I feel also that it is a plan. It is a plan for mass genocide for all Black soldiers that go to Vietnam because all the Black soldiers thatarethere-- I would say the majority of them-- have run into people trying to kill them and let it be known that it's not the Vietnamese that have been doing this. More so, that its been these racists, imperialist soldiers of this government over there that have been trying to kill them off. I've had partners come back and let me know, and I've seen things happen where First Sergeants have threatened to kill brothers and have told them that they were killing them. And sending them out on two and three man patrols, when patrols are supposed to be in larger numbers than that. And try to send them off into death traps knowing that they would not be coming back if they were stupid enough to go out there. Things of this nature, shooting at them while they are out in the field. A brother might tell you, you can't turn your back on some of them because they will shoot you in the back and feel no remorse whatsoever, and you are supposed to be fighting side by side with them. But you are fighting against someone coming to your house and one who is fighting for their life. Because it can be related very simply as someone coming to your house and breaking your door down. And your only natural response as a human being would be to fight back, to fight this person, to keep them from coming in your house if you have no idea who he is. And this is exactly what is happening in Vietnam: the United States is there, kicking their door down, telling them this is the way you will be, and we're going to take over, and we're going to force our ideology on you, when it isn't pertinent to the peoples struggle there in Vietnam. The people see this there and this is why they rose us against this type of aggression And it's very simple to see -- we have to make the GI's see it this way also.

So we know it is a plan of mass genocide to kill off the male population of Black people because statistics show that the majority that have have been killed in the Vietnam war till today have been Black people. That is the plan. To kill us off and commit mass genocide, to kill off the male personnel so that there would be a lack of men and the women would eventually die out. This is one of the forms that they try to implement. But we also have to remember that what is being done by them to the Black GI's is not only being done to the Black GI's. But it's being done to the oppressed, poor people who have gone over there, whose attitudes toward the war have changed, and to anyone whose attitude toward the war has changed.

These mercenaries for the government that are over there feel that it is their patriotic duty to do these things. And they would actually kill for the love of their country, and they would die for the love of their country. They are the ones that are doing this. It's also known that all of Vietnam or the southern part of Vietnam is run by the U.S. imperialists. It is a military sort of government that is set up - a U.S. military government - because there are civilians that are over there working, and if they get out of line in any way, form or fashion they will be quickly incarcerated in the military stockades that are over there.

For example, there was a White man that was in the stockade when I was over there, that had already served a term of one year (he was brought over there by the government as a mercenary to kill someone and he carried out his job there. But his undercover deal for doing this was that he was a contracter, a construction worker there. While he was doing this he was black marketing, which is very big over there. He was selling cranes and trucks and guns and everything else he could get his hands on to the North Vietnamese-- by the way he had made six million dollars during this time). He was incarcerated in the military stockade because they had caught him doing it. But by telling the government that he would expose them as far as his being a mercenary -- a paid, hired killer for them. If they did not release him, or if they tried to take any of the money that he had, he would tell the people that he was a mercenary and why he was over there and expose the government. So he was quickly removed, after doing a year's time there, by two guards, and he was being sent back to the States for release. But I wouldn't swear that he was alive now because of the actions he took toward the government when he was there, and because of the fact they would not want to release that information. He might be dead now. They might have killed him as soon as they brought him to a plane and brought him back to California. That goes to show you that the capitalists and imperialists that are running this war don't care what you do as long as you don't mess with too much of their money over there.

The Viet Cong that are taken prisoners by the U.S. forces are persuaded to join the South Vietnam forces against the North and this is how they get a lot of their scouts for the South Vietnamese Army or special forces of the South Vietnamese Army. They take the Viet Cong, the weak ones, and change them over and use them against their own people. We can direct that to the fact that we have the same thing here in our struggle where we have Black pigs and infiltrators. They serve the same purpose as the Viet Cong who they have persuaded against their own people. They are doves and lackeys to the capitalist who pay them off and set them on their own people

When I was in the stockade there were brothers in there actually being murdered right within the stockade walls, and the brothers that they had in maximum security drilled all day long. One brother was falling out from the heat. He had been out for about 5 or 6 hours, running and drilling and doing exercises and he was about ready to fall out. And he got delirious and started running towards the 10 foot high fence with rolls of barbed wire on top and on the bottom. The brother slipped. He was not able to get to the fence and fell on the barbed wire. When he fell, he was shot to death laying on the barbed wire by one of the guards that was on the tower, he was shot with a pump shotgun and killed.

The time I was over there I had bad kidney pains due to kidney stones and I had a written excuse from the doctor to stay in bed, I was in pain one night and I could not move and I was told by one of the guards to get up, and I couldn't move to get up and his attitude was that I was being smart. So I was to be moved to maximum security, the brothers there didn't like the idea and rose up in rebellion against this and the guards went from the inside of that compound back to the outside in fear of the riot which would have broken out, they had already taken me outside of the compound and the brothers

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# GI DISCRIMINATION

October 2, 1969
Black Panther Party
National Headquarters
Oakland, California
U.S.A.

Although we're aware of what you've been doing at 'home', we need your help here in Japan -- as well as other places where Black men are in the white man's army.

The outspoken acts of discrimination have been increasing. Black men are hounded to cut their 'fros. We can't get impartial justice. Brothers, the list is long. They were sent to the Secretary of the Army, Japan Army Garrison Headquarters and the Department of the Army, as well as to some of our Congressmen, but we have not gotten any satisfaction yet.

Any assistance you could give, either in the form of suggestions, advice, long or short-range planning advice, et cetera, would be greatly appreciated.

Any pressure you could apply to the proper individuals or groups in the United States to aid us in our fight against the man's discriminatory actions-anything you could do - would be most appreciated.

We're counting on you to help us fight the man, and we look forward to receiving your advice and suggestions as soon as possible.

POWER!

### *Examples of Actual Instances of Discrimination Against Black GI's in Japan*

Mr. Burly Dwight

This man is permanently assigned to the 106th General Hospital, Kishine Barracks. While working around hepatitis patients, he contracted this disease, and was, himself, hospitalized. He was finally released from the hospital after fifty-seven (57) days confinement. The doctor in charge recommended he be given convalescent leave, to which he would have nevertheless been entitled. The doctor's recommendation was ignored, and the man was assigned to duty three days after being released from the hospital. Convalescent leave is generally for a period of not less than two weeks.

Mr. Louis Mayes

While having a drink in a Japanese bar with friends, Mr. Mayes was approached by a rather inebriated Japanese. Upon Mr. Mayes' indication to this individual that he did not wish to converse, the Japanese began bodily attacking Mr. Mayes. Mr. Mayes defended himself and was under the impression he had subdued the inebriated Japanese. However, a few minutes later Mr.Mayes' attacker returned armed with a long kitchen knife. Mr. Mayes was weaponless, but tried to keep the attacker at bay. The attacker lost his balance, and in falling was seriously injured by his own knife.

Mr. Mayes was arrested by the Japanese police and handcuffed. While unable to defend himself, an unknown Japanese began beating Mr. Mayes with his own shoe. The police looked on and did not try to stop the man. Mr. Mayes, as a result of this unwarranted attack, fell to the ground, whereupon the policeman "guarding" him, kicked him in the mouth and took him to a Japanese prison. Mr. Mayes requests for medical attention for his body and face were ignored.

JAG personnel accused Mr. Mayes of lying, and offered no assistance, legal or of a general nature.

Upon learning that he could be visited, his friends went to see him. After learning that no action had been taken either by Mr. Mayes' C.O., JAG, or the Japanese police, to secure medical aid for Mr. Mayes, his friends demanded that the police take him to a doctor. His friends told the police that they would not leave until they had seen for themselves that medical treatment had been secured.

After stating their demands, his friends proceeded to wait. Within twenty minutes, Mr. Mayes' C.O., Major Kolb; arrived at the police station. Shortly afterward, Mr. Mayes was taken to the Naval Base Clinic at Yokohama, followed by his friends in a taxi, and the C.O. in a military vehicle.

The attending doctor prescribed medicine to relieve the muscle spasms, which were the result of the beating and being made to sleep on a one-inch thich mattress laid on a concrete floor at the prison. The doctor futher prescribed that Mr. Mayes be given a hot bath or shower once a day and that at least a six-inch mattress be provided for him to sleep on. Attention could not be given to Mr. Mayes' mouth because the dentist was not on duty that morning.

After leaving the clinic, a nonmilitary friend of Mr. Mayes asked Major Kolb whether he would make sure that the doctor's recommendations were followed by the police, or whether that would be the responsibility of his friends. Major Kolb's reply was that it was up to his friends to make sure the doctor's recommendations were followed by the police.

It is his friend's contention that this man's C.O., Major Kolb, was in no way interested in seeing that Mr. Mayes received fair and just treatment and medical attention by either the Japanese police or the Military.

It is their futher contention that had they not made demands upon the Japanese police, medical attention would not have been rendered. It is futher contended by Mr. Mayes' friends that their pressure and demands upon the Japanese police led to the earlier release of Mr. Mayes by the Japanese police.

Major Kolb is now on a tour of duty in Viet Nam.

Mr. Michael Andrews

Mr. Andrews has, time after time, been addressed by Capt. Roberts as "BOY". Each time he has been addressed in this manner by Capt. Roberts, he has informed Capt. Roberts that he is not Capt. Roberts' "Boy", and has respectfully requested the captain's apology. Needless to say, the Captain has not apologized.

As this flagrant disrespect by Capt. Roberts was insulting to Mr. Andrews, Mr. Andrews requested Col. Boysen to take action to see that Capt. Roberts acts towards Black men in a manner befitting an officer of the U.S. Army. Col. Boysen told Mr. Andrews he would "talk" to Capt. Roberts. Capt. Roberts continues to call this individual and other who are Black "BOY".

Captain Roberts fails to render the proper salute, if he salutes at all, to Black men. Captain Roberts continually acts rudely and derogatorily to Black men. Captain Roberts frequently uses profanity in addressing Black men. Captain Roberts' attitude and manner toward Caucasions is that of politeness. He does not fail to return salutes from Caucasion enlisted men. He does not speak to them derogatorily or rudely, and he does not address them with profanity.

Mostly, it is felt that the racial tension that exists between Blacks and whites on military bases is the result of the psychological strain caused by the Black man's inability to receive fair and equal treatment and justice from the majority of his White officers.

As long as the Black enlisted man is humiliated (i.e., called "Boy" by officers), is discriminated against (i.e., products created for him specifically not being stocked in PX's, et cetera), is unable to receive fair and equal treatment from white officers, the racial tension will not abate. Then too, if the Caucasion man, who is concerned about the discriminatory practices directed at the Black man, and who is fair and just, continues to remain a silent onlooker, the situation can in no way change for the better.

Being Black in the Army can be likened to being crucified daily. Either the Black man becomes a part of the system and acts "white" (i.e. "Uncle Tom's) or they are silenced. There are numerous examples of outspoken Black enlisted men who have been subject to obscure laws and codes. There are numerous instances in which Black men have been prosecuted to the full letter of the law whereas the Caucasion has not. There have been numerous instances where superior, white officers have not taken action against other Caucasians in disciplining them for their unfair actions toward and treatment of Black men.

This is the only country in the world which has had to pass laws to make human beings free--in spite of the fact that the Constitution, Bill of Rights and Amendments are supposed to insure their inherent freedom.



# NOTE FROM GI HISTORY

IN 1917 DISORDER BROKE OUT IN HOUSTON, TEXAS, BETWEEN WHITES AND BLACK G.I.'S. A NUMBER OF BLACK G.I.'S HAD BEEN ATTACKED AND BADLY BEATEN, WITH THE RESULT THAT ARMY BRASS HAD DISARMED THE BLACK TROOPS. WHEN THE RIOTING HAD FINALLY CEASED, SEVENTEEN WHITES HAD BEEN KILLED AND SIXTY-FOUR MEMBERS OF THE ALL NEGRO 24TH INFANTRY WERE COURT-MARTIALED. THE U.S. ARMY (CHAMPIONS OF FREEDOM AND DEMOCRACY) PROCEEDED TO STAGE THE LARGEST MASS MURDER TRIAL IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES. THE MILITARY COURT, PRESIDED OVER BY BRIG. GENERAL G.K. HUNTER, SENTENCED THIRTEEN NEGRO SOLDIERS TO DEATH BY HANGING, FORTY-ONE TO LIFE IMPRISONMENT AND OTHERS TO BE HELD PENDING FURTHER INVESTIGATION.

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demanded that they bring me back and they did. But the next day, I was taken across to the other side and confined to hard labor, I was still in the bunk and they came and removed me to maximum security, where I was put on bread and water for seven days, which is the maximum, they take you off of bread and water for one day and give you a meal and put you back on bread and water again for seven more days. For health reasons I imagine they wouldn't want to do things this way so they kill you in other ways. So for 30 days I stayed on bread and water for attempting to incite a riot, which was told to me because I was too sick to get out of my bed.

There are brothers who are literally starved and beaten to death and this fascist storm tooper who was in charge of the stockade, a Lt. Colonel who led the military or the national guard in the riots that took place in Detroit, he was in charge of the stockade one night and he gave an order to shoot to kill if a riot broke out. He spoke to me and a number of others and said that he would rather see us dead than have us in his stockade and that if we ever tried to start a riot there or if a riot broke out he wouldn't hesitate to kill us and take no prisoners at all. He had an infantry unit across the street that had been given orders to shoot to kill, the guards in the towers had also been given orders to shoot anyone that looked suspicious. He gave orders also that anything that flew overhead that he thought would be able to see him in fascist actions, he gave orders to shoot them down even if they flew too low over the stockade.

It is also important that the GI's know that Ky, President Ky or Vice President Ky from South Vietnam is not a Vietnamese but is a Korean--an imperialist Korean who has left from over there to help take part in the imperialist actions of draining the country of Vietnam of its wealth. The Black GI's, the ones that ever go to Vietnam should be abe to talk to other GI's when they come back to let them know, and the GI's that have been to Vietnam can verify the fact, all they have to do is look around at some of the houses that Vietnamese people live in, the conditions that they live in, and they know that Black people here in Babylon are living in similar conditions throughout the south and throughout many places--the ghettos even the ghettos in the north Black people are living under these same type of conditions that the Vietnamese people are living in and it's oppression that is making them live under these conditions, and it is that same oppression that is making Black people live under those conditions and that by his being there and his being a part of this fascist country or this fascist government, that his being a part of this imperialism that he is only making the situation worse for Black people in America and worse for the people in Vietnam because of the fact that by him being there fighting this type of war it is not changing any conditions for Black people in the United States by him being there that we are not going to get any farther ahead and it's not going to change for him once he comes back anymore than it is if he doesn't come back, if he comes back and doesn't take part in what't going on and take part in the struggle because the only way that these conditions will be changed is for Black people to wake up and realize that we have been fooled all this time that we're not going to be made a fool of anymore and that we are going to liberate our people, and we are going to give them freedom. So Black GI's must know that they must come home and take part in struggle. Take part in changing the objective conditions of our people here, take part in the revolution of oppressed people here in Babylon.

An Ex GI




# ZIMBABWE: WAR OF ATTRITION AGAINST THE COLONIALISTS

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EXTRACTS OF THE MESSAGE OF COMRADE JAMES CHIKEREMA — VICE PRESIDENT OF ZAPU, ON THE 17th OF MARCH-69 — ZIMBABWE DAY.

Regarding the importance of the date, Comrade Chikerema started by pointing out that: "The significance of Zimbabwe-Day in our liberation struggle is that on this day, we re-affirm our dedication and determination and firmness to continue the fight against the white settler minority regime in Zimbabwe."

He further said: "Our generation has picked up the fight to free Zimbabwe from where it was left by our forefathers in 1897. We are now better equipped and more prepared than ever before to face our enemy and deal decisive blows for the liberation of Zimbabwe. To this end, our activities from 1966 to 1968 speak for themselves."

As regards the prospects of this year Chikerema said: "The year 1969, should go down in the history of our struggle as a year in which the war of attrition against the white settlers registered a great landmark in the struggle for a free Zimbabwe." "ZAPU, through its People's Liberation Army has been preparing and training for a type of fight that the enemy will never forget."

Refering to last year's 17th of March he said, "This day, last year, our gallant freedom-fighters fought bravely throughout the country and registered very significant victories over the enemy. When the day of reckoning comes, I am absolutely certain that the fascist forces of Smith and their South African allies will reap a very sad share of the liberation battles.

As regards the aid received from within Africa, he said, "I would also want us to remember very gratefully the sacrifices made by our free African brothers through the OAU." He made special reference to these countries which are directly close to the front line such as TANZANIA and ZAMBIA. He pointed out that: "These two countries face the daily brandishments of fascist power because of their determination to support the liberation movements in Southern Africa... We have witnessed assassinations, bombings and destruction of property made against Zambia and Tanzania by the unholy alliance of Smith, Vorster and Caetano... But because of their love for freedom and democracy in Southern Africa, these countries have stood firm and have thus inspired us to stand fearlessly against this unholy alliance, hence, in the last three years we have achieved great victories."

Chikerema further on said, "We are also not unmindful of those countries in the socialist world, Latin America, Asia and elsewhere which have sacrificed and will continue to sacrifice materially and financially to lubricate the machinery of our liberation struggle." He pointed out that, through their dedication to Africa's liberation, our struggle will gather great momentum this year." He stressed that, every Zimbabwean, old, young and able-bodied must be a spear head of the people's liberation forces. "ZAPU has reiterated again and again the cardinal point of our liberation struggle, and that is, that the main burden to sacrifice for the freedom of Zimbabwe lies (squarely and unshakably) on the shoulders of every Zimbabwean."

Concluding he said: "This day, March 17, 1969, we call upon you all to rise in your millions against the white settler British regime in Salisbury. There should, and there will be sacrifices just as there have already been sacrifices by some gallant sons of the People's Liberation Army of Zimbabwe..."

"One hundred percent of the sacrifice for the freedom of Zimbabwe has to be made by Zimbabweans themselves. Any additional assistance by progressive forces in Africa and the world over must be regarded as being secondary and supplementary to what Zimbabweans themselves must bear," he finalised.

"Long live the People's Liberation Army and its supporters in Zimbabwe and elsewhere!

"Long live ZAPU and its dedications to free Zimbabwe!

"Long live the fighting spirit of the masses of Zimbabwe under their brilliant and revolutionary leadership of our people's leader, Joshua Nkomo".



LEROI JONES

# OFFICIAL TERROR

Saigon (LNS) -- The CIA's semi-secret terror campaign is now official "national policy" in South Vietnam. The proclaimed purpose of the campaign, dubbed "Phoenix", is to eliminate the "Viet Cong infrastructure", i.e. the PRG's administration.

The CIA launched "Phoenix" last year in an attempt to recoup the losses suffered during the Tet Offensive. Since then the program is supposed to have eliminated more than 20,000 "Communists".

"Phoenix" was elevated to the status of "national policy" by Tran Thien Khiem in one of his first acts since becoming puppet prime-minister. General Khiem has been in charge of the Vietnamese side of "Phoenix" since the program's inception.

"Phoenix" has imposed on the South Vietnamese people a reign of terror unmatched since the days of Ngo Dinh Diem. The CIA's mercenaries have zealously filled South Vietnam's prisons and cemeteries with thousands of suspected patriots.

Although the 20,000 victims of "Phoenix" are supposed to be "Communists", the terror is so indiscriminate that even Saigon's rubber-stamp National Assembly has been moved to protest. In recent months several assemblymen have spoken out against the imprisonment and murder of innocent peasants. The Assemblymen pointed out that the victims are not granted the formality of a trial nor are they confronted with evidence. The National Assembly formally demanded an explanation from General Khiem.

Khiem's response came in a public ceremony in which he proclaimed "Phoenix" to be "national policy". It is thus certain that terror will increase against the South Vietnamese civilian population. Khiem did not mention the fact that his "national policy" is directed and financed by the CIA.

"Phoenix", of course, has had little effect on the PRG's administration. The liberated territories are as sturdy as ever, and shadow governments exist in all the occupied zones. "Phoenix" is a futile, though bloody, attempt to whip thepeople into line. It is sure to suffer the same fate as "strategic hamlets" and "provincial reconnaisance."

## GERMANY

Hamburg (LNS) -- A few years ago, when Kurt Kiesinger became chancellor of West Germany, a few die-hard grudge-bearers were disturbed by the fact that he had been a member of the National Socialist (Nazi) Party throughout the Hitler era. For some reason it bothered them to think that a man who had written propaganda for the fascist government had now become a leader of the free world. But now any remaining skeptics can safely lay their doubts to rest. Or so it seems.

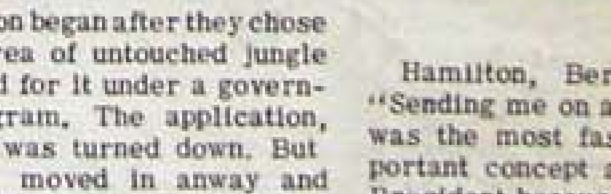
Der Spiegel has revealed that during that period Kiesinger was actually serving as "a secret agent of the Vatican."

## CUBA

United Nations, N.Y. (LNS) -- Cuba refused to cooperate in any way with the Organization of American States to try to stop plane hijackings. Speaking at the U.N on Oct. 8, chief delegate Ricardo Alarcon Quesada said that there were "negative forces" preventing the OAS from serving Latin America.

The OAS is a tool of U.S. policy rather than the cooperative alliance it purports to be. In 1962, the puppet regimes represented in it moved with the U.S. to kick Cuba out. They are scared s--tless of the real threat represented by Cuba's example of Latin American revolution.

## NEWS BRIEFS



## MALAYSIA

Kuala Lumpur (LNS) -- Fifteen hundred land-hungry Maylays have seized thousands of acres of unused land in northern Selangor State.

The action began after they chose a large area of untouched jungle and applied for it under a government program. The application, as usual, was turned down. But the people moved in anway and started clearing it to provide themselves with three acres each. A few days later they had reclaimed some 50 acres and had built temporary huts. The police pulled the huts down, but the squatters moved back in and rebuilt them.

The government has threatened to starve them out and the Maylays are getting angry at the government. Usually, the Maylays have been angry at and fighting with the sizeable minority of Chinese who live here. The politicians, playing on racial prejudice, have used these conflicts to divide the people.

## LATIN AMERICA

Hamilton, Bermuda (LNS) -- "Sending me on a fact-finding tour was the most fascinating and important concept arrived at by the President because it would provide the raw material for development of new policy."

Thus spoke Rockefeller. The vacationing imperialist told reporters who pursued him to the beach recently that the U.S. must find a "politically realistic" strategy for Latin America. The problem seems to be that numerous Latin Americans are also beginning to to search for a "politically realistic" strategy for Latin America. Not long ago, the U.S. Ambassador to Brazil was the unwilling guest of some Brazilians who are looking for a "politically realistic" strategy for Latin America.

# FIAT (CAR) STRIKE IN TURIN

Turin (collettivo CR) - As a roar went up from the hundreds of students who were massed in front of the gates, a worker appeared over the wall surrounding the huge Fiat Mirafiori plant besieged by riot police and posted a sign which said FIAT OCCUPATA (Fiat occupied). It was late afternoon and the sign was going to stay there through the night as a defiant expression of growing workers' dissatisfaction and militancy in Europe's largest industrial plant. At dawn, as new masses of workers poured in for the morning shift, the occupation had at all effects died out and scuffles were going on between nervous students who had spent the night at the gates and incensed union and Communist party officers and activists who had rushed to the scene to cool things down.

It had been, at all effects, a tense and exhilarating day. In the afternoon a four hour work stoppage (sciopero interno) called by the unions had developed into a veritable uprising of assembly line workers who stormed through the factory, surrounded the office building and forced white collar employees to walk out of the place. At a door a worker was handing five Lira coins to well known executives scuttling out, with a sarcastic "For you, Mister", while his comrades were clashing with Fiat security guards in the midst of clouds of tear gas launched by the police stationed in force outside the plant. The workers then moved to the mess hall to hold an assembly, not before having sent out a rescue party to deliver a student arrested by the police (he was taken into the plant, where they sawed his handcuffs). In the meantime turmoil was eurpting at a half dozen other Turin factories, notable at Lancia and Pininfarina, the world famous car designer and profiteer.

Italy's "hot labor fall" is in full swing, amid outbursts of social unrest all over the country. Negotiations involving millions of workers are dragging on, and management intransigence is met by strikers' initiatives which go well beyond carefully laid union plans.

What happened in Turin is but one example. Under the growing pressure of rank and file militancy the unions have stopped calling people to simply stay home (sciopero esterno) on days of strike or to attend rallies in town, and start staging a series of work stoppages in key metalwork industries. And the workers promptly seized the opportunity of showing their unwillingness to accept the passive role assigned to them by union plans. The management, predictably, took it badly, with government and press following suit: The unions are asked to demonstrate their ability of keeping strikers under control, or else factory owners will have to consider the "necessity" of closing down their plants (serrata).

Which way the situation will move is unpredictable. The country is definitively moving through an eventful and decisive period of its history. The government is leading an ineffectual day per day existence, with the so called majority parties (Christian Democrats and Socialists) riddled by factions and struggles for power. There are recurring, though visibly exaggerated, rumors of a military coup d'etat. The Communist Party is calling for a "new majority", i.e. Communist participation in the government, in a clear attempt to cash in political benefits from the on going agitations. Dissent is spreading within the powerful Roman Catholic Church, at grassroots level, defying even the thus far unchallenged papal authority.

The decisive element remains the labor movement. Here, workers are clearly demonstrating that they don't exactly love the unions, but the unions are organized and the workers aren't, and the unions are still running the show. Revolutionary groups, particularly the students, have vital contacts with workers on a significant scale but disunity, correctliness and lack of realistic political perspectives are curtailing their efforts, when not even delaying the take off of a truly authonomous, organised working class thrust.

One thing is certain. The Herald Tribune (international edition, October 11-12) is writing that "violence escalates in Italian strikes". What is taking place in fact is a definite, probably unprecedented escalation of class struggle.

Turin, October 12, 1969




*FIAT STRIKERS*




*MARCHING IN THE RAIN DEMANDING THE RELEASE OF CHAIRMAN BOBBY!!*

# PEOPLE IN SCANDINAVIA GETTING HIP TO U.S. FASCISM

# DEMAND RELEASE OF BOBBY SEALE

Despite the rain and numerous other organizational meetings around town, nearly 300 people turned out to demonstrate and demand the release of Chairman Bobby Seale and all political prisoners on Sept. 21st. Directly after the demonstration a public meeting was held at which the B.P.P.S.C informed the people of the latest developments around the kidnapping of Chairman Bobby. Present at the meeting to condemn the fascist pig tactics of mankind fascist pig tactics against the peoples' revolutionary Vanguard Party, were Le Phoung, SVRPRG (FNL's Info. Bureau) Brother Walter, American Deserter's Committee, Bengt Hellgren, Committee for Latin American Liberation and the Swedish-Cuban Union. Revolutionary films and slides were shown and members of the Committee informed the people about the Black Panther Party's history, organization and the peoples revolutionary programs. The Committee would like to say RIGHT ON to the large and enthusiastic reception and act of solidarity to all in attendance.

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE!

Black Panther Party Solidarity Comm. Stockholm




*PEOPLE IN SCANDINAVIA GETTING HIP TO U.S. FASCISM*

## October 1966

## Black Panther Party Platform and Program

# What We Want What We Believe



**FREE HUEY**

***Minister of Defense, Black Panther Party***

**1. We want freedom. We want power to determine the destiny of our Black Community.**

We believe that black people will not be free until we are able to determine our destiny.

**2. We want full employment for our people.**

We believe that the federal government is responsible and obligated to give every man employment or a guaranteed income. We believe that if the white American businessmen will not give full employment, then the means of production should be taken from the businessmen and placed in the community so that the people of the community can organize and employ all of its people and give a high standard of living.

**3. We want an end to the robbery by the CAPITALIST of our Black Community.**

We believe that this racist government has robbed us and now we are demanding the overdue debt of forty acres and two mules. Forty acres and two mules was promised 100 years ago as restitution for slave labor and mass murder of black people. We will accept the payment in currency which will be distributed to our many communities. The Germans are now aiding the Jews in Israel for the genocide of the Jewish people. The Germans murdered six million Jews. The American racist has taken part in the slaughter of over fifty million black people; therefore, we feel that this is a modest demand that we make.

**4. We want decent housing, fit for shelter of human beings.**

We believe that if the white landlords will not give decent housing to our black community, then the housing and the land should be made into cooperatives so that our community, with government aid, can build and make decent housing for its people.

**5. We want education for our people that exposes the true nature of this decadent American society. We want education that teaches us our true history and our role in the present-day society.**

We believe in an educational system that will give to our people a knowledge of self. If a man does not have knowledge of himself and his position in society and the world, then he has little chance to relate to anything else.

**6. We want all black men to be exempt from military service.**

We believe that Black people should not be forced to fight in the military service to defend a racist government that does not protect us. We will not fight and kill other people of color in the world who, like black people, are being victimized by the white racist government of America. We will protect ourselves from the force and violence of the racist police and the racist military, by whatever means necessary.

**7. We want an immediate end to POLICE BRUTALITY and MURDER of black people.**

We believe we can end police brutality in our black community by organizing black self-defense groups that are dedicated to defending our black community from racist police oppression and brutality. The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States gives a right to bear arms. We therefore believe that all black people should arm themselves for self-defense.

**8. We want freedom for all black men held in federal, state, county and city prisons and jails.**

We believe that all black people should be released from the many jails and prisons because they have not received a fair and impartial trial.

**9. We want all black people when brought to trial to be tried in court by a jury of their peer group or people from their black communities, as defined by the Constitution of the United States.**

We believe that the courts should follow the United States Constitution so that black people will receive fair trials. The 14th Amendment of the U.S. Constitution gives a man a right to be tried by his peer group. A peer is a person from a similar economic, social, religious, geographical, environmental, historical and racial background. To do this the court will be forced to select a jury from the black community from which the black defendant came. We have been, and are being tried by all-white juries that have no understanding of the "average reasoning man" of the black community.

**10. We want land, bread, housing, education, clothing, justice and peace. And as our major political objective, a United Nations-supervised plebiscite to be held throughout the black colony in which only black colonial subjects will be allowed to participate, for the purpose of determining the will of black people as to their national destiny.**

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another, and to assume, among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the laws of nature and nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. **That, to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed; that, whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or to abolish it, and to institute a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.** Prudence, indeed, will dictate that governments long established should not be changed for light and transient causes; and, accordingly, all experience hath shown, that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed. **But, when a long train of abuses and unsurpations, pursuing invariably the same object, evinces a design to reduce them under absolute despotism, it is their right, it is their duty, to throw off such government, and to provide new guards for their future security.**

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# RULES OF THE BLACK PANTHER PARTY

## CENTRAL HEADQUARTERS
## OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA..

Every member of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY throughout this country of racist America must abide by these rules as functional members of this party. CENTRAL COMMITTEE members, CENTRAL STAFFS, and LOCAL STAFFS, including all captains subordinate to either national, state, and local leadership of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY will enforce these rules. Length of suspension or other disciplinary action necessary for violation of these rules will depend on national decisions by national, state or state area, and local committees and staffs where said rule or rules of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY WERE VIOLATED.

Every member of the party must know these verbatum by heart. And apply them daily. Each member must report any violation of these rules to their leadership or they are counter-revolutionary and are also subjected to suspension by the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.

**THE RULES ARE:**

1. No party member can have narcotics or weed in his possession while doing party work.
2. Any party member found shooting narcotics will be expelled from this party.
3. No party member can be DRUNK while doing daily party work.
4. No party member will violate rules relating to office work, general meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY, and meetings of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY ANYWHERE.
5. No party member will USE, POINT, or FIRE a weapon of any kind unnecessarily or accidentally at anyone.
6. No party member can join any other army force other than the BLACK LIBERATION ARMY.
7. No party member can have a weapon in his possession while DRUNK or loaded off narcotics or weed.
8. No party member will commit any crimes against other party members or BLACK people at all, and cannot steal or take from the people, not even a needle or a piece of thread.
9. When arrested BLACK PANTHER MEMBERS will give only name, address, and will sign nothing. Legal first aid must be understood by all Party members.
10. The Ten Point Program and platform of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must be known and understood by each Party member.
11. Party Communications must be National and Local.
12. The 10-10-10-program should be known by all members and also understood by all members.
13. All Finance officers will operate under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Finance.
14. Each person will submit a report of daily work.
15. Each Sub-Section Leader Section Leader, Lieutenant, and Captain must submit Daily reports of work.
16. All Panthers must learn to operate and service weapons correctly.
17. All Leadership personnel who expel a member must submit this information to the Editor of the Newspaper, so that it will be published in the paper and will be known by all chapters and branches.
18. Political Education Classes are mandatory for general membership.
19. Only office personnel assigned to respective offices each day should be there. All others are to sell papers and do Political work out in the community, including Captains, Section Leaders, etc.
20. COMMUNICATIONS — all chapters must submit weekly reports in writing to the National Headquarters.
21. All Branches must implement First Aid and/or Medical Cadres.
22. All Chapters, Branches, and components of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY must submit a monthly Financial Report to the Ministry of Finance, and also the Central Committee.
23. Everyone in a leadership position must read no less than two hours per day to keep abreast of the changing political situation.
24. No chapter or branch shall accept grants, poverty funds, money or any other aid from any government agency without contacting the National Headquarters.
25. All chapters must adhere to the policy and the ideology laid down by the CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the BLACK PANTHER PARTY.
26. All Branches must submit weekly reports in writing to their respective Chapters.




SEIZE THE TIME